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ROOSEVELT INTENDS TO SEND BATTLE FLEET TO THE FAR EAST TO CHECK AGGRESSION BY JAPANESE

Pointed Warning To Nomura By Washington Press

WASHINGTON, FEB. 18 (REUTERS)—THE POSSIBILITY OF THE AMERICAN BATTLE FLEET GOING TO THE FAR EAST TO CHECK THE JAPANESE AGGRESSION OVERSHADOWS THE CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON OF THE EUROPEAN WAR QUESTIONS, ACCORDING TO SOME NEWSPAPERS HERE.

The WASHINGTON TIMES HERALD says flatly that "all evidence available indicates that President Roosevelt intends to order the Fleet to the Far East, if Japan attacks Singapore or attempts to occupy the Dutch Indies."

THE EASTERN CRISIS HAS PUSHED THE THREATENED INVASION OF BRITAIN OUT OF ITS PLACE AS THE CHIEF NEWS OF THE DAY, AND EDITORIAL COMMENT INDICATES THE SERIOUSNESS OF A THREATENED SPREAD OF THE WAR IN THE ORIENT.

It is recognised that while the climax seems to have been postponed, the crisis itself exists and persists, while a basic clash of interests between Japan and the Western Powers remains.

BRITAIN SPEAKS:

DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE: PRESENT WAR IS ONE OF OPPOSING IDEAS

"This is not a national war or a war between rival imperialisms, but a war of opposing ideals," said MR. JOHN B. PRIESTLEY, the well-known novelist and essayist, when he broadcast from London yesterday in the series "Britain Speaks."

Mr. Priestley opened his talk with a brief reference to the entrance of the British Imperial forces into the town of Benghazi.

IMPORTANT EVENT

"You have heard," he said, "how when our columns reached the centre of the town, its total population, of which only 5,000 had left, came out to cheer the invaders and that there could be heard loud cries in Italian of 'Long Live England! Long Live Democracy!'"

"That seems to me to be very important. It shows the root of the matter. There can be no doubt that those Italians meant what they said. They saw the invaders as the penetrating advance guard of democracy, now routed and militant—a free democracy which the swaggering Fascists have been sneering for years."

Mr. Priestley declared that among these men there must have been many Italians who had not been converted to Fascism, just as there were many Germans today who had not been converted to Nazism. They had no illusions about the cheap gangsterism to which they had been subjected.



MR. J. B. PRIESTLEY, M.A.

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RESCUE FROM TYRANNY
"Some of these Italians were in Benghazi and they cheered and shouted 'Long Live Democracy!' because they knew that at last they would be rescued from the tyranny of Signor Mussolini and his gang who had led them into a war for which there was never the shadow of justification," said Mr. Priestley. "This confirms me in the view which I had long ago formed that this is not a national war or a war between rival imperialisms, but a war of opposing ideas."

"We are fighting this war to define the democratic way of life which is being threatened by both Nazism and Fascism with total destruction. Anybody who believes in our way of life as shown by our democratic ideas is on our side. It is not a question of where you live. It does not matter whether you live in Alaska or Borneo, it means that we are fighting for a social and political belief."

ALLIES—NOT ENEMIES
"We are not fighting the Germans and the Italians," continued Mr. Priestley, "We are fighting the Cont'd Page 12, Col. 2

No Cause For Trouble

The Japanese Consul-General in Sydney called on the Acting Prime Minister of Australia yesterday and said that he saw no cause for trouble and that there were no grievances between the two countries which could not be solved, states a London message.

MINISTERS AT LARGE
It was announced in Tokyo that two Japanese Ministers-at-Large have been appointed to the United States and Germany. They will work in conjunction with the Ambassadors, states a London message.—(Special)

FAIRBURN 'DROME

The Australian Minister for Air, Sir John McEwen, stated yesterday that the flying field at Canberra is to be called the Fairburn Aerodrome, to commemorate the late Mr. Fairburn, who was killed in a crash recently about a mile from the ground which now is to bear his name, states a message from Sydney.—(Special)

1,502 CIVILIANS KILLED IN AIR RAIDS AT HOME

LONDON, Feb. 18 (BWS)—During January 1,502 civilians were killed in air raids, 2,012 injured and detained in hospital.

In announcing this, the Ministry of Home Security adds that the killed included 720 men, 567 women, 189 children under 18, and the injured were 1,171 men, 682 women and 159 children under 16. The remaining 26 killed are not classified.

CHIEF SIGNIFICANCE OF TURCO-BULGARIA PACT

Existing Situation Is Not Altered

ANKARA, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—THE CHIEF SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TURCO-BULGARIA DECLARATION, ACCORDING TO TURKISH POLITICAL CIRCLES, IS THAT BULGARIA BINDS HERSELF NOT TO ATTACK TURKEY OR GREECE, that is to say, not to march along with the Germans.

The question of Bulgaria's attitude to the German wish to march through Bulgaria, is an outside scope of the declaration. According to Turkish information, however, THE BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT IS DOING ITS BEST TO PERSUADE THE GERMANS TO KEEP OUT.

Political circles are non-committal regarding the possibility of a further development of Bulgarian and Turkish relations in the direction of the defensive pact.

PROPAGANDA OPPORTUNITY
LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—The timing of the Turco-Bulgarian agreement supplies the

New Scheme For Naval Scholarships

MR. A. V. ALEXANDER, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced yesterday that he had drawn up a scheme whereby the Royal Naval College would secure the bulk of the country's youth, states a London message.

A scholarship would be offered to pupils of secondary schools from next September and would take the form of assistance depending on the incomes of their parents.

There would also be another scholarship offered to the son of a rating or an ex-rating who was unable to get any other previous scholarship.—(Special)

Nazis with the opportunity of propaganda of which they are already making full use," says MR. VERNON BARTLETT, writing in the NEWS-CHRONICLE, "and it is therefore important to insist the Turks have emphasised that in no way affects their obligations to Britain."

"It was been obvious for some time that the Turkish Army would not march into Bulgaria to meet the Germans there, but concentrate on defending their national interests on their own chosen ground and therefore, the new agreement does alter the existing situation in fact."

MOVED FASTER

"I believe that the negotiations for the pact began at Turkey's request when it still seemed probable that the Bulgarians might be encouraged to take action to prevent the German infiltration of the Balkans. However, moved faster than the negotiations, a refusal to conclude them despite the changed circumstances would have strengthened the fear felt in some Bulgarian circles that an attack was to be anticipated from the Turkish side and it must be repeated that full satisfaction is expressed in London over the cause wherein Turkey states her close understanding with Britain." Cont'd Page 7, Col. 4

Today's Races Postponed

Today's race meeting (Third Day) has been postponed to Saturday when the first saddling bell will be at 11 a.m., and the first race at 11.30 a.m.

The Fourth Day's Races will be held on Monday, Feb. 24, commencing at 11.30 a.m., while the Off-Day will be on Saturday, March 1.

Darlan On Way To Paris

ADMIRAL DARLAN left Vichy yesterday morning for Paris after a long conference with General Huntziger and with the Minister of Finance, states a London message.

German reports on Monday were insisting that Darlan must see Herr Abetz and probably M. Laval. The latter has been in Paris since he refused the post offered him in the Vichy Government.

So far there is no indication of what the new discussions will be about but it is known that the Germans do not regard the question of the French Navy and French bases as closed.—(Special)

SHEEP BREEDING PROGRESS IN AUSTRALIA

The sheep breeding industry in Australia is showing remarkable progress and this is reflected in the number of new flocks, states a message from Sydney.

There is also a spirited demand for stud sheep which is considered significant of the rapid progress which spells well for the future.

Australian surplus of eggs may be bought up by the United Kingdom at a basic price per pound. If the negotiations now being conducted are successful, Britain would take the eggs in shells, egg powder or in egg bulk.—(Special)

COAL RESERVES IN AUSTRALIA

Australia is provided for with coal in many centres and so it has been decided to build up big reserves at many points, states a message from Sydney.

Iron ore and iron products are the next to be stored up and to complete this measure all available shipping space on Australian cargo vessels has been reserved.—(Special)

PREPARATIONS BY BRITAIN IN MALAYA MEANT FOR JAPAN

29,000 PAIRS OF SOCKS FOR TROOPS

Pupils from public schools in New South Wales contributed 22,045.53 to war funds up to the end of last year, states a message from Sydney.

In addition they made 29,000 pairs of socks, 22,000 pullovers and other articles for the troops.—(Special)

Anglo-Thai Relations: No Cause For Anxiety

BANGKOK, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—THE FAR EASTERN CRISIS AND ITS REPERCUSSIONS ON ANGLO-THAI RELATIONS IN THE LIGHT OF BRITAIN'S PRECAUTIONARY MILITARY MEASURES ON THE THAI-MALAY FRONTIER, continue to be the theme in the editorials in leading Thai dailies.

They assure Thailanders that BRITAIN has only JAPAN in mind in making these preparations on the Malay-Thai border. The doubtful chances of the success of Japan's southward push against the combined ANGLO-AMERICAN resistance are also discussed.

It is very well known, comments the SUPABBARUS, that the British preparations in Malaya are meant for Japan which England believes may attack Singapore and it is her concern to take necessary precautionary measures.

There is no cause for anxiety concerning the Anglo-Thai relations, for both the B.B.C. broadcasts and the Thai Government communiques agree that the friendly relations remain unchanged, and nothing can be more absurd than the report that Thailand has joined Japan against England.

WALKING STICK

The fact that England has sent troops to the Thai border, says the THAI RASOR, was not occasioned by any concern as we have a non-aggression pact with England. Gun in hand, a friend is no more

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IMMIGRATION OFFICER ADVISES PUBLIC TO DEAL WITH GENERAL AGENCY FOR SPEEDIER RESULTS

WHEN QUESTIONED BY A HONGKONG DAILY PRESS REPORTER, ON FRIDAY, AS TO WHAT WERE THE SPECIAL POWERS delegated to the "General Agency to control all agencies," appointed by the Immigration Officer, the official spokesman of the Immigration Office denied that any special powers have been vested in the Agency, and that the appointment was only to facilitate the work of the Immigration Office.

It is exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, to reconcile these statements with the latest notice, issued in Chinese by, or under, the authority of the Immigration Officer, which have appeared outside the Office.

Translated, these notices read: "Applicants, who are in a hurry to leave the Colony before the obtaining of a pass, may apply for a temporary pass at the Chief Agency at No. 3A, Wyndham Street, in order to be able to return without paying a deposit. "Those who have paid their deposit for entering the Colony may

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1941.

Postponed to:—

First Day—Monday,
17th February
Second Day—Tuesday,
18th February
Third Day—Wednesday,
19th February
Fourth Day—Saturday,
22nd February
Fifth Day—Saturday,
1st March

The programme fixed for 15th February will be run off on Monday, 17th February, and the subsequent days' programmes in consecutive order.

On Monday, 17th, Tuesday, 18th, Wednesday, 19th, and Saturday, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1941.

"BLUE RIBAND" OF HONGKONG TURF WON BY OOLONG IN RAIN: ANOTHER JOCKEY IS HEAVILY THROWN Major Upset Caused In Gymkhana Handicap

Following its win in the Maiden Stakes on the previous day, Mr. T. K. LI's OOLONG, cleverly ridden by MR. V. V. NEEDA, annexed the main prize in the HONGKONG DERBY, in spite of the strong challenge put up by Mr. Moller's VELVETLIGHT (MR. C. B. MOLLER), under most miserable weather conditions and on a very heavy track.

During the tiffin interval, the steady drizzle of the morning turned to fairly heavy rain with the result that, when the ponies faced the Starter in the main event of the day, several pools of water were to be seen on the cinder track.

Oolong went to the gate a red-hot favourite, carrying practically 50 per cent. of the number of "win" tickets sold. CHARLESBER, the second favourite, took the lead from the start, followed by EVE OF GRANDEUR and Oolong, with WORLD FAIR VIEW, LOVELY-LIGHT, VELVETLIGHT, and EVE OF DECEPTION in close attendance.

Passing the Rock the second time, Charlesber altered which gave Velvetlight the lead. Entering the straight, Oolong shot up to the front and, despite the strong challenge of Velvetlight, ran in the winner by a length.

Mr. Moller's second string entrant, Lovelylight, was third, six lengths behind its stablemate. The first surprise of a day of surprises came with the defeat of FRESH AIR, a red-hot favourite in the opening event. The Perth Plate (first section) by CIRE's MOONLIGHT, ridden by Mr. F. Noodt, and the second placing of BONA VACANTIA (Mr. M. M. Sokoloff) which paid a dividend of \$30.

NAVYLIGHT'S SUCCESS

Cire's nomination for the Foochow Cup, Navylight (Mr. C. B. Moller) followed up its stablemate's success by defeating the much-fancied Confusion Bay and Eve of Harvest to pay its 171 backers \$72.40 each.

The Austral Black Rock Stakes was a certainty for Mr. Du Pont's FLEETWING whose jockey, Mr. Billy Poy, had one of the arm-chair rides of the day. United Express went to the starting post a red-hot favourite,

only slightly hurt. The other accident was much more serious and resulted in Melody Star, which was badly hurt, being shot. LT.-CMDR. D. H. S. CRAVEN, its jockey, suffered severe injuries to his right arm and was conveyed to the Naval Hospital in an ambulance.

1—Perth Plate (Half a Mile)
Mr. CIRE's Moonlight, 149 lbs.
(Mr. F. Noodt) 1
Mr. Culture's Bona Vacantia, 152 lbs. (Mr. M. M. Sokoloff) 2
Mr. S. K.'s Fresh Air, 149 lbs. (Mr. Ip Kui Ying) 3

Bendigo was fourth.
Won by two lengths, a short head between second and third.
Time: 51.1.

Part Mutuel:—
Winner: \$21.80
Places: \$7.70, \$3.00, \$8.20.

Also ran:—Arnieber 149 lbs. (C. L. Gregory); A Rosy Time 149 (C. B. Moller); Battle 152 (H. S. Chang); Beauford 147 (F. A. Sequeira); Bendigo 152 (L. B. Chao); Harmony Star 149 (D. H. S. Craven); Lodestar 149 (W. H. S. Davis); May 147 (R. K. C. Chui); Newmarket Day 150 (B. L. Tao); Princess Adelaide 152 (P. Y. T. Wei); Reindeer 152 (Tang Man Wa); Senorita 154 (A. D. Coppin); Strathalbyn 149 (G. Treverton); Tobaccochip 149 (P. P. Botelho).

17 Starters

Betting	Win. Place.
Arnieber	7 28
A Rosy Time	9 17
Battle	11 33
Beauford	2 1
Bendigo	189 199
Bona Vacantia	21 43
Fresh Air	938 897
Harmony Star	40 49
Lodestar	108 124
May	1 1
Moonlight	439 396
Newmarket Day	114 131
Princess Adelaide	109 98
Reindeer	1 3
Senorita	1 4
Strathalbyn	177 212
Tobaccochip	3 9
Total	2,170 2,245

2—Foochow Cup (One and a Quarter Miles)

Mr. CIRE's Navylight, 153 lbs. (Mr. C. B. Moller) 1
Mr. Eve's Eve of Harvest, 153 lbs. (Mr. W. H. S. Davis) 2
Mr. T. K. L.'s Confusion Bay, 154 lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 3
Dubont Bay was fourth.
Won by a head, three quarters of a length between second and third.
Time: 2:25.1
Part Mutuel:—
Winner: \$72.40.

3—Austral Black Rock Stakes—From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards)

Mr. Eu Tong Sen's Fleetwing, 152 lbs. (Mr. W. G. Poy) 1
Mr. CIRE's Starlight, 152 lbs. (Mr. C. B. Moller) 2
Mr. Lan's Mountain View, 152 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Phi) 3
King's Welcome was fourth.
Won by three lengths, one length between second and third.
Time: 2:03.
Part Mutuel:—
Winner: \$11.40.
Places: \$6.00, \$7.10, \$8.00.

Also ran:—A Luxurious Time 152 lbs. (F. Noodt); Iron Belle 152 (P. Y. T. Wei); King's Welcome 149 (D. Black); Mountain View 152 (H. C. Phi); Odin 152 (S. L. Yuen); Ozark 151 (V. V. Needa).

8 Starters

Betting	Win. Place.
A Luxurious Time	24 44
Fleetwing	1,277 1,012
Iron Belle	37 51
King's Welcome	879 796
Mountain View	450 352
Odin	6 10
Ozark	78 61
Starlight	544 495
Total	3,305 2,821

4—Governor's Cup (One Mile)

Mr. Negan's United Express, 152 lbs. (Mr. Ip Kui Ying) 1
Mr. Wai Shiu Pak's Tien Tien, 150 lbs. (Mr. S. L. Sung) 2
Mr. Bridge's Casino, 149 lbs. (Mr. Tang Man Wa) 3
Chateaugay was fourth.
Won by many lengths, two lengths between second and third.
Time: 1:52.
Part Mutuel:—
Winner: \$5.60.
Places: \$5.40, \$10.20, \$10.60.

Also ran:—Chateaugay 152 lbs. (Ho Hong Ping); Dashing Beauty 152 (H. S. Chang); Zadderday 152 (D. Black).

6 Starters.

Betting	Win. Place.
Confusion Bay	1,428 793
Dubont Bay	167 172
Eve of Harvest	885 613
Gay Star	38 89
Navylight	471 106
Racyleight	119 80
Total	2,808 1,853

Places: \$6.90, \$5.30, \$5.30.
Also ran:—Dubont Bay 152 lbs. (S. L. Yuen); Gay Star 136 (D. H. S. Craven); Racyleight 152 (F. Noodt).

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5—Gymkhana Handicap (One Mile)

Li Po Chun's Conquering Time, 150 lbs. (Mr. C. B. Moller) 1
Mr. Eve's Eve of Reason, 135 lbs. (Mr. W. H. S. Davis) 2
Mr. Marber's Hughber, 135 lbs. (Mr. H. S. Chang) 3
Hillsboro Bay was fourth.
"Dead heat, short head between second and third."
Time: 1:58.3.
Part Mutuel:—
Winners: \$60.10 and \$79.50.
Places: \$30, \$48.30, \$129.10.

Also ran:—Avon 144 lbs. (D. Black); Expansion Time 132 (Chui Ki Fan); Galaxy 142 (P. Y. T. Wei); Hillsboro Bay 150 (V. V. Needa); Hopful Star 150 (D. H. S. Craven); Humdrum Eve 139 (H. C. Phi); Jennifer 147 (B. L. Tao); Jobber 135 (G. Treverton); Johnber 159 (C. L. Gregory); King Korff 130 (Hoo Pak Ming); Lancashire Lass 135 (K. I. Ip); Lilliber 147 (L. B. Chao); Oonagh 148 (P. P. Botelho); Red Feather 140 (F. Noodt); Rob Roy 135 (S. L. Yuen); Rose Emily 133 (W. G. Poy); Thirty Six 130 (Ho Hong Ping).

20 Starters.

Betting	Win. Place.
Avon	282 240
Conquering Time	158 208
Eve of Reason	117 119
Expansion Time	2 10
Galaxy	372 316
Hillsboro Bay	1,152 871
Hopful Star	99 154
Hughber	42 42
Humdrum Eve	154 177
Jennifer	75 65
Jobber	11 21
Johnber	467 380
King Korff	8 10
Lancashire Lass	13 12
Lilliber	1,030 908
Oonagh	114 79
Red Feather	34 78
Rob Roy	20 26
Rose Emily	103 235
Thirty Six	5 13
Total	4,264 3,964

6—Hongkong Derby (1 1/4 Miles)

Mr. T.K.L.'s Oolong, 152 lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 1
Mr. CIRE's Velvetlight, 152 lbs. (Mr. C. B. Moller) 2

6 Starters.

Betting	Win. Place.
Casino	39 79
Chateaugay	24 58
Dashing Beauty	52 142
Tien Tien	83 85
United Express	1,655 1,002
Zadderday	252 237
Total	2,105 1,623

Derby Sweep First Prize \$385,335
Up to 6 p.m. yesterday, over 944,000 tickets on the SPECIAL DOLLAR SWEEP on the Rooty-Hill Derby have been sold.
The approximate value of the prizes are:
FIRST \$385,335.00
SECOND \$107,240.00
THIRD \$53,619.00
Unplaced ponies, whether starters or not, \$2,330 each.
Tickets will be obtainable until noon on Saturday. The draw will take place at 1.30 p.m. that day.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BADMINTON. — "B" Division: Section A, J.R.C. v. Recreio; Chung Wah v. King's College; Section B, St. Andrew's v. St. John's; Kowloon Tong v. Police.

CRICKET. — Volunteer Officers v. Other Ranks, H.K.C.C., 2 p.m.; K.C.C. seconds v. R.A.S.C., 2 p.m.

FOOTBALL. — Junior Shield Replay, 30th R.A. v. Signals (Sookunpo), 4.15 p.m.; Second Division, R.A.M.C. v. 12th R.A. (Sookunpo), 2.45 p.m.

RACING. — Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 11.30 a.m. (Third Day).

RIFLE SHOOTING. — Hongkong Rifle Association Spon and Practice Shoot, at Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

RUGBY. — "Club A" v. Navy.

TOMORROW

CHESS. — Colony Open Chess Championship Tournament, Sequeira v. Carvalho, Zimmern v. Coxhead, Weiss v. Karpovich.

SNOOKER. — Garrison League, Military Police v. R.A. Station Mess, R.A.M.C. v. Engineers "A", Signals Mess v. Eng. Sigs Mess, Military Police v. Signals "A".

Mr. CIRE's Lovelylight, 152 lbs. (Mr. F. Noodt) 3
Charlesber was fourth.
Won by 1 length, 6 lengths between second and third.
Time: 3:02.
Part-mutuel:—
Winner: \$10.
Places: \$6.60, \$9.40, \$12.20.
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Wins in a Canter!

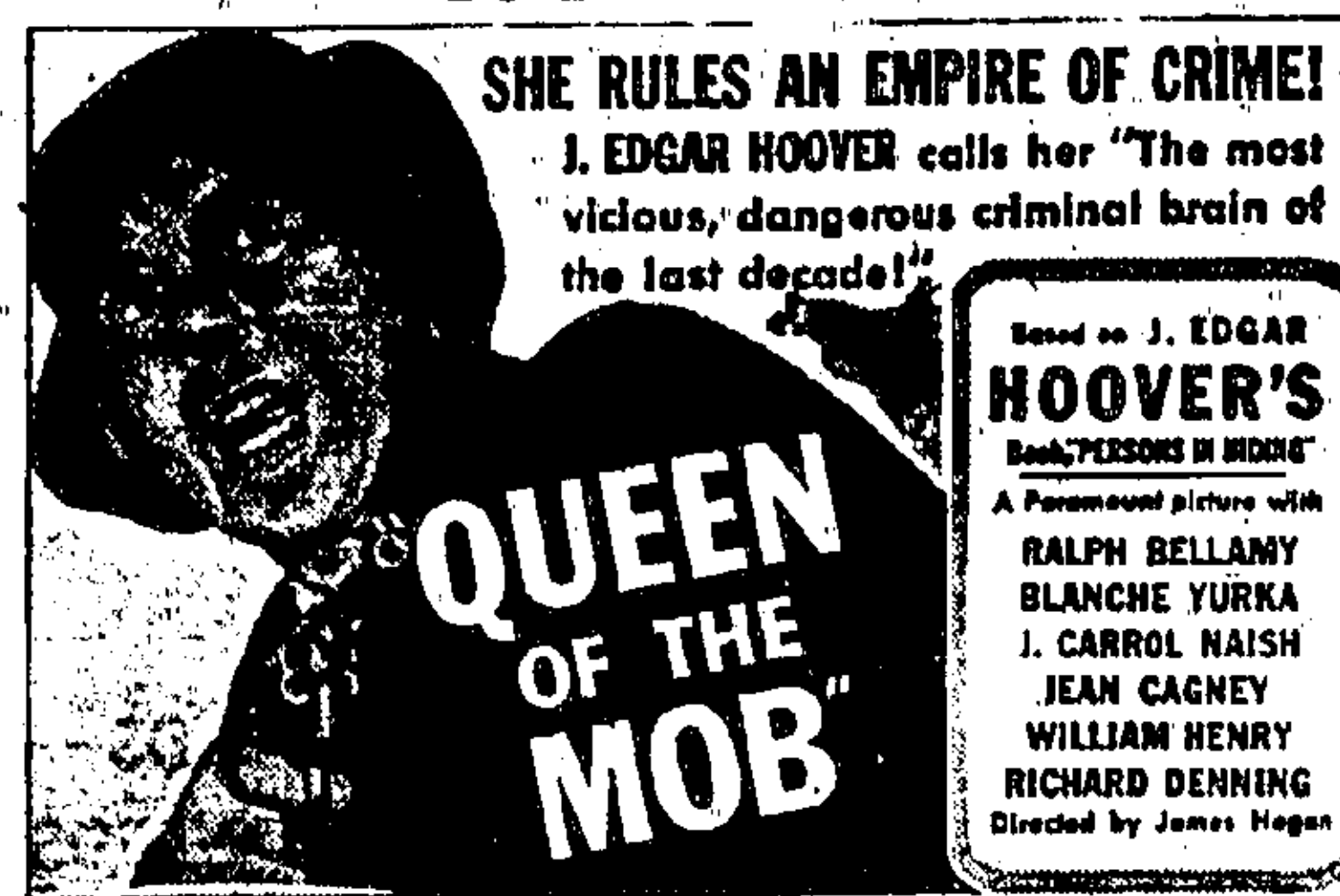



Player's NAVY CUT CIGARETTES

QUEEN'S THEATRE

HONGKONG DAILY AT 2.30-5.15-7.20-9.30 P.M. TEL 31453

TO-DAY ONLY



TO-MORROW "MYSTERY SEA RAIDER"
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ALHAMBRA THEATRE

NATHAN RD. KOWLOON DAILY AT 2.30-5.20-7.20-9.30 TEL 56856

TO-DAY ONLY

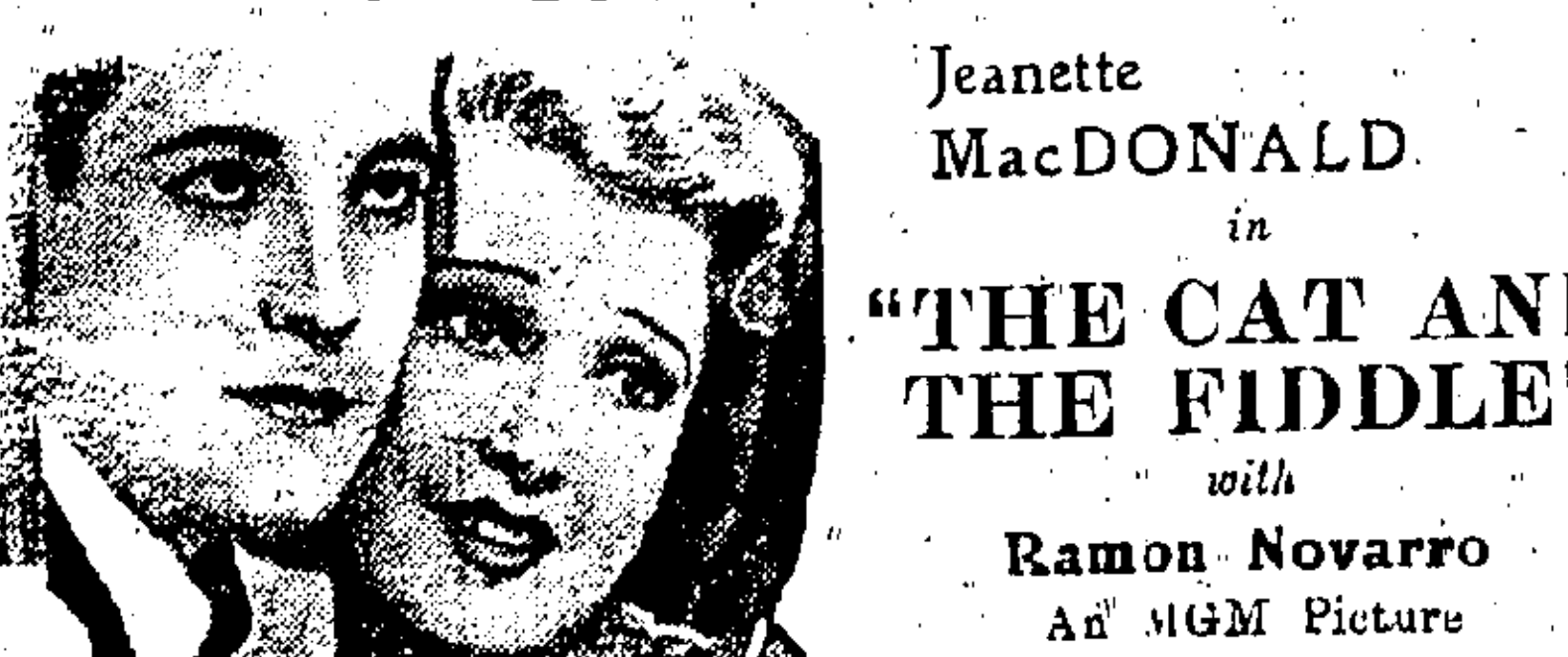


TO-MORROW "MYSTERY SEA RAIDER"
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STAR THEATRE

HANKOW RD. KOWLOON DAILY AT 2.30-5.20-7.20-9.20 TEL 57795

TO-DAY ONLY



TO-MORROW "TOPPER" MGM Picture

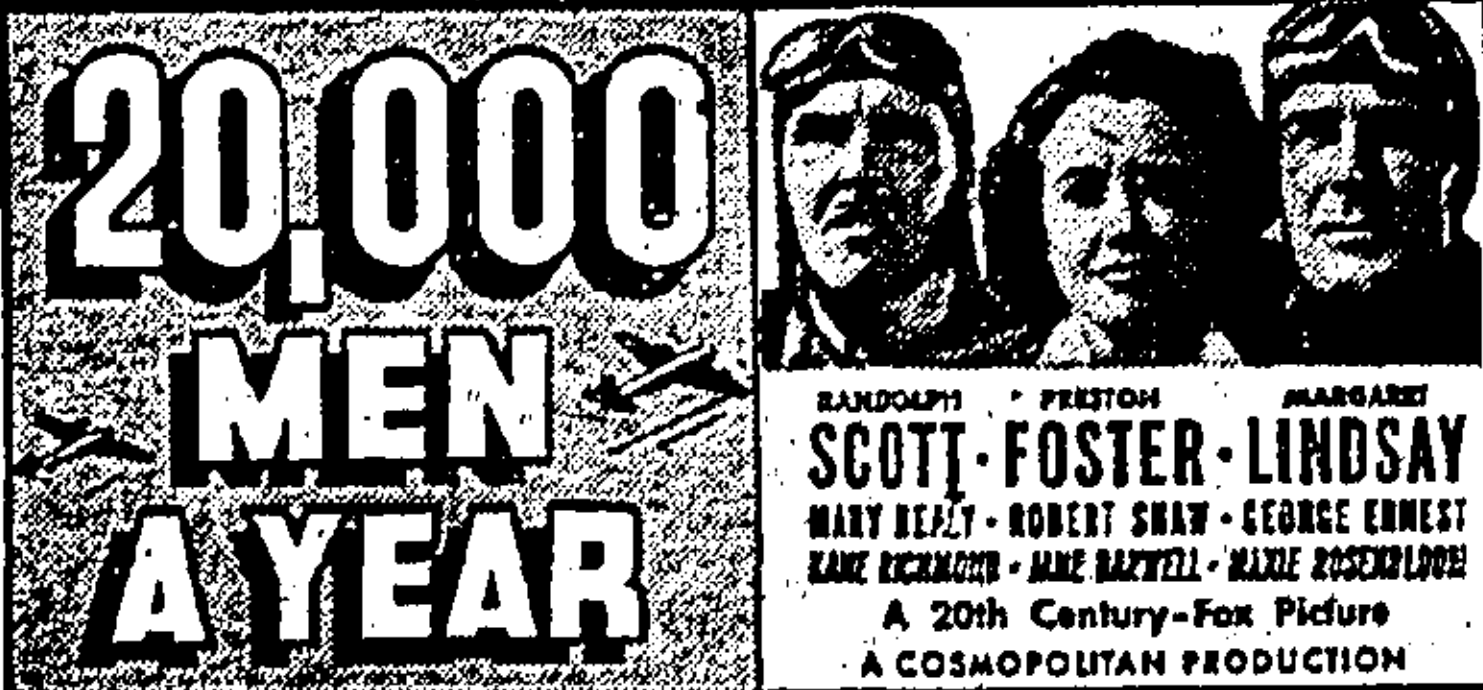
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DAILY AT 2.30-5.15-7.20-9.30 P.M.
MATINEES: 2.30, 5.15, 7.20, 9.30. EVENINGS: 2.30, 5.15, 7.20, 9.30.

TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

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College lads to-day, flying men to-morrow!
Their thrilling story... told through the eyes of the men who give them wings... and the hearts of the girls who love them!

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COMING EVENTS

FEB.
19—Tides: High 3.25 a.m. and 3.31 p.m. Low 8.03 a.m. and 10.47 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.53 a.m.; Sunset: 6.32 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.
H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Fourth Day, 11.30 a.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Lecture: Mr. R. A. Hill on "Glamour on Textiles." Room K, H.K. University, 8.30 p.m.

20—Tides: High 5.07 a.m. and 4.31 p.m. Low 8.53 a.m. and 1.25 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.32 a.m.; Sunset: 6.22 p.m.
Lauding of M. V. Hin Sang, Kowloon Docks, 6 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
St. Andrew's Church Hall, Movie Evening, 9 p.m.
Legislative Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 9.30 a.m.
Seafarers' Dance, Sailors' Home & Seamen's Institute, 9 p.m.
H.K. Ladies' Hockey Assn. Annual Mtg., Gloucester Hotel.
Y's Men's Club, St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.
Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.
Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club Committee, Chater Room, 5.30 p.m.
Requiem Mass for Bishop Rozzoni, Catholic Cathedral, 7.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship Social, 8.30 p.m.

Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong, 21—Tides: High 6.54 a.m. and 5.47 p.m. Low 12.18 a.m. and 10.21 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.51 a.m.; Sunset: 6.23 p.m.
H.K. University: Lecture by Prof. P. B. Wilkinson on "Coronary Syndromes," under auspices of the University Medical Society, 8.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.
H.K. Chamber Music Club Concert, University Great Hall, 9.15 p.m.
Exhibition Basketball, Chinese Y.M.C.A., 7.30 p.m.

22—Tides: High 8.06 a.m. and 6.53 p.m. Low 1.20 a.m. and 11.52 a.m.
Sunrise: 6.50 a.m.; Sunset: 6.23 p.m.
H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Final Day, 2 p.m.
23—Tides: High 8.55 a.m. and 7.49 p.m. Low 2.05 a.m. and 12.56 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.50 a.m.; Sunset: 6.24 p.m.
Junior Golf Championship—Final, Fanning Hunt Point-To-Point Meet, 3 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 9 p.m.

24—Tides: High 9.28 a.m. and 8.37 p.m. Low 2.42 a.m. and 1.47 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.49 a.m.; Sunset: 6.24 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.

25—Tides: High 9.57 a.m. and 9.20 p.m. Low 3.16 a.m. and 2.32 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.25 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, 10th Anniversary Dinner, H.K. Hotel, 8.15 p.m.
26—Tides: High 10.39 a.m. and 9.58 p.m. Low 3.43 a.m. and 3.14 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.26 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.

27—Tides: High 10.53 a.m. and 10.35 p.m. Low 4.13 a.m. and 3.54 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.27 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

28—Tides: High 11.17 a.m. and 11.07 p.m. Low 4.42 a.m. and 4.33 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.46 a.m.; Sunset: 6.27 p.m.
Kowloon Residents' Assn. Annual Meeting, St. Andrew's Hall, 6 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.
Vocal Recital by Y. K. See, Peninsula Hotel, 9.15 p.m.
Star Ferry Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting (Jardine, Matheson & Co. Office), 11 a.m.

CHARLIE CHAN AT THE KING'S

His best friend murdered, so "Charlie Chan Carries On"—and that was the title Earl Derr Biggers gave to the novel from which "Charlie Chan's Murder Cruise," starting today at the King's theatre, was filmed.

Chan, who is again portrayed in the 20th Century-Fox film by the veteran Sidney Toler, is at his best when he matches wits with a master-stranger who ruthlessly slays three unsuspecting victims on board a luxury liner. The murders come with unerring swiftness and there is but one clue to the fiend. Beside each victim Chan finds thirty pieces of silver.

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neer, Taylor, to develop a model in competition with other companies seeking a foreign government contract. Wendy Barrie is seen as an ambitious draftsman who falls in love with Taylor, her immediate superior.

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Schumann Symphony

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Light Orchestral Selections. Bells Across the Meadows (Ketyl-bey); Sanctuary of the Heart (Ketyl-bey)—Albert W. Ketyl-bey conducting His Concert Orchestra (with Choral Effects). Babylonian Nights (Zamce-nik); In The Sudan (Sebek)—Alfred Van Dam & His Gaumont State Orchestra. I Sing To You (Souvenir) (Eric Coates); The Seven Seas — March (Eric Coates)—Light Symphony Orch. conducted by Eric Coates.

12.50 Sea Songs and Shanties sung by the Portsmouth Royal Naval Singers.

Sea Songs — Intro: Jolly Roger; Sailors' Chorus. Sea Shanties—Intro: Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down to Hilo; I'll Go No More A-Roving; Rio Grande.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Dance Music by Nat Gonella and His Georgians with Vocal by Frances Langford.

Fox-Trots — The Snake Charmer; Let 'Er Go — Nat Gonella and His Georgians. Vocal — Falling In Love With Love (from 'Up and doing') — Frances Langford with Orchestra. Rumba — Ain't Cha Comin' Out? Quickstep—The Corrigan Hon — Nat Gonella and His Georgians. Vocal — Thru You've Never Been Blue; Hurry Home — Frances Langford with Orchestra. Fox-Trots — The Dipsy Doodle; Jubilee (film 'Every Day's a Holiday')—Nat Gonella & His Georgians.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Schubert—Quartet in a Minor, Op. 29.

1t Mov: Allegro Ma Non Troppo; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Minuet and Trio; 4th Mov: Rondo Moderato —Kolisch Quartet.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Schumann—Symphony No. 4 in D Minor, Op. 120.

London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk by Robert Donat.

7.30 Richard Tauber (Tenor) and Debroys Somers Band.

You Must Have Music; Heaven in a Song (both from 'Land Without Music')—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orchestra and Chorus. Irving Berlin Waltz Songs—Medley—Debroys Somers Band with Vocal by Dan Donovan. Smile For Me; Simple Little Melody (both from 'Land Without Music')—Oscar Straus-Clifford Grey)—Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orchestra. Theatre Memories — 'The Gaiety' — Debroys Somers Band and Chorus.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Three Songs by Elsie Suddaby (Soprano).

Ave Maria ('Cavalleria Rusticana'—Mastagni). My Mother Bids Me Bind My Hair (Haydn); Nymphs and Shepherds (Purcell).

8.13 Purcell—Suite for Dido and Aeneas.

Overture—Adagio; Allegro moderato; Tempo di Minuetto; Lento; Prelude for the Witches; Echo Dance of the Furies; Ritornello; Prelude to Act 3; Recit. and Aria: 'When I am laid to earth'—Eugene Ormandy and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

8.30 Studio—"Makers of Medicine" No. 2: 'Behind the Scenes: The Making of a Doctor.'

Talk by Father B. Byrne, S.J.

8.50 Songs by Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano).

Air and Variations (Proch); The Warbler ('Zemire et Azor'—Gretry) — with flute obbligato by Clement Barone and Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay — 'Questions of the Hour.'

9.30 Selections from Musical Comedy.

"Hit the Deck"—Vocal Gems (You-mans)—Light Opera Company. The Gold Diggers of 1933—Selection—The B.C. Dance Orchestra with Vocal Chorus. 'The Desert Song'—Vocal Gems (Romberg): 'The Blue Mazurka'—Vocal Gems (Lahar)—Light Opera Company with Orchestra. 'Glamorous Night'—Selection (Novello)—Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—My Weekly Newsletters.

Talk by an English woman.

10.15 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Love Walked In; Love Is Here to Stay (both from 'Goldwyn Follies') — Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans. Rumba — This is the Kiss Or Romance; Quickstep — Good Evenin', Good Lookin'—Henry Hall and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—The Donkey's Serenade (from 'The Firefly'); The Down and Out Blues (from 'Happy Returns')—Jay Wilbur and His Band. Fox-Trots—An Old Straw Hat (film 'Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm'); Lovelight in the Starlight (film 'Her Jungle Love')—Bunny Berigan and His Orchestra. Tangos — Land of Magic; Lamentol—Heinz Huppertz & His Orchestra. Fox-Trots — You're Looking for Romance, I'm Looking for Love; Sunset in Vienna (from 'Vienna Sunset')—Brian Lawrence and His Landsdowne Orchestra. Waltzes—Cuckoo Waltz; Brigitte—Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trot—I Know Now (film 'The Singing Marine') — Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

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Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.

Transmission V—News Summary 6.46 p.m.
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Trans. II & III—News Summary 7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

QUARANTINE BAN LIFTED

A Colonial Secretariat communique issued by yesterday states that the quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of the Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States against arrivals from Hongkong on account of cholera have been removed.

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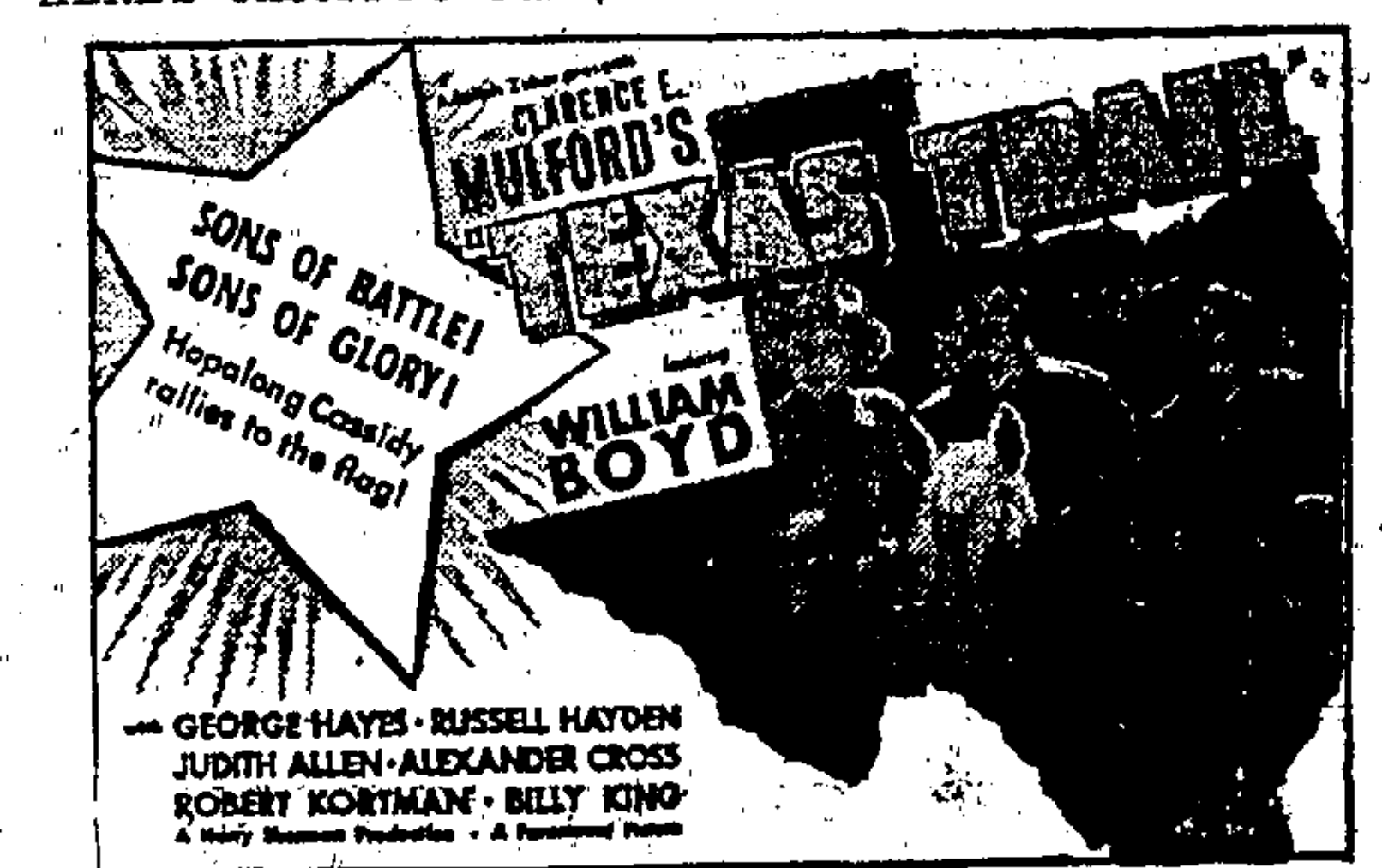
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TURKEY AND BULGARIA SIGN NON-AGGRESSION PACT

Declaration Not Likely To Influence Present Position

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The Turkish and Bulgarian Governments yesterday published a joint statement enumerating four points on which they have reached an agreement, says a Sofia telegram to the official Italian news agency.

The statement says: The Turkish and Bulgarian Governments have decided to initiate a new exchange of views in the light of events and have reached an agreement on the following points without prejudice to their contracted agreements with regard to other countries.

(1) Turkey and Bulgaria consider it an unchanging basis of their foreign policy to abstain from any aggression;

(2) The two Governments are inspired by most friendly intentions towards each other and are determined to maintain and develop their confidence still further in good neighbourly relations;

(3) The two Governments declare themselves ready to seek appropriate means to develop trade relations between the two countries to the greatest extent compatible with their economic structure;

(4) The two Governments express the hope that the press of their two countries will be inspired in its writings by mutual friendship and confidence which has been newly affirmed in this declaration.

AGREEMENT SIGNED

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The declaration by the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments yesterday signed at the Turkish Foreign Office yesterday afternoon by the Turkish Foreign Minister, Mr. Sarajoglu, and the Bulgarian Minister to Ankara, stated the Ankara radio.

NO CHANGE EXPECTED

SOFIA, Feb. (Reuter) — It is not anticipated that the declaration of friendship by the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments will radically alter the present position.

In December last, the Bulgarian Minister to Turkey, M. Jiroff, travelled to Sofia on a visit stated to be connected with a move towards a Bulgarian-Turkish rapprochement.

It was stated then that he conveyed concrete Turkish proposals and was received by King Boris as well as the Foreign Minister, M. Popoff.

NAZI PREPARATIONS

ANKARA, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — German military preparations in-

side Bulgaria include strengthening rail bridges and roads and laying down petrol dumps, according to reliable sources.

losses her neutrality and the war is brought to Bulgaria. It will be solely and directly on the initiative of Germany. The question of whether the Legation remains or not depends solely on the movement of the Germans.

A German move into the country, however, is not regarded as imminent in Turkish circles. The opinion is held here that the Germans are conducting a "war of nerves" and will continue until military preparations are completed.

Turkish opinion concerning the whole Balkan situation remains calm. It is pointed out here that there is no reason to believe that the Yugoslavs have committed themselves to collaborate in or facilitate German schemes in the Balkans.

A question pertinently asked is, "Why should Yugoslavia facilitate a German attack on Greece which would have for its object the restoration of Italian power in the Adriatic?"

BRITISH POLICY

SOFIA, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The British Minister to Bulgaria, Mr. George Rendel, yesterday outlined British policy towards Bulgaria. He was replying to questions raised by Reuter's correspondent as the result of various statements in the Bulgarian press.

"British policy is aimed at the maintenance of the neutrality and independence of Bulgaria and at preventing the war from spreading to Bulgarian soil," declared Mr. Rendel.

"The British Government would welcome the development of close and friendly relations between Bulgaria and her neighbours. We have no wish whatever to take any initiative towards violating Bulgaria's neutrality or involving Bulgaria in the war. If Bulgaria

DUTCH INDIES & PACIFIC CRISIS

Integrity Of Govt. To Be Safeguarded

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — Public reaction in the Dutch Indies to the alarming rumours of the last two days has been an attitude of calm determination, states the Batavia radio.

"There can be no doubt whatever as to the attitude of the Dutch Indies Government," said the announcer.

"They will do in all their power to maintain peace in the Pacific, but should honour or interest demand it, they would not hesitate to defend both."

Trade negotiations with Japan are being reopened, and a meeting took place yesterday between the Japanese Consul-General in Batavia and members of the Japanese Trade Delegation and Van Hood streeten who is conducting the negotiation on behalf of the Dutch Indies.

Reasonable requests by Japan would be accepted to, added the announcer, but unreasonable demands would be met with a firm refusal.

DR. H. COLIJN IRES NAZIS

DISMISSED FROM EDITORIAL POST

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — Doctor Hendrik Colijn, 71-year-old former Dutch Prime Minister, has been dismissed by the Germans from his post as editor of the conservative newspaper, De Standdaard, it is learned here.

"Dr. Colijn has been associated with the paper—one of the most influential in Holland—for over 20 years and had acted as editor since his retirement from the Cabinet."

He had long been at loggerheads with the Nazis and the Standdaard was the first paper suppressed by the Germans because of a leading article in which Dr. Colijn attacked the German White Book on Holland and Belgium.

Nazi Terror In Rumania

Wholesale Plunder Of Country

ISTANBUL, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The situation in Rumania is very grave, the population lacking essentials which have been plundered wholesale by German troops who terrorise the Rumanians, state travellers arriving here from Rumania.

Rumanians are convinced that the Germans are preparing quickly to invade Bulgaria and stated that 50 pontoon bridges have already been assembled in Dobruja for this purpose.

Rumanians do not hide their fear of the consequences which would follow the extension of war in the Balkans.

Sir Reginald Hoare, the British Minister in Bucharest, who arrived here from Constantinople, has not yet decided on his plans but expected to go to Ankara to see Turkish leaders before proceeding to England.

HURRICANE HAVOC IN PORTUGAL

LISBON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — Madeira was also struck by the hurricane which swept Portugal during the week-end. Damage was estimated at about 80,000 contos which is equal to £200,000.

In Portugal, strenuous attempts are being made to restore communications and a section of the 1939 class of Army telegraphists have been called to the colours to repair damage to telephone and telegraph wires throughout the country.

Brilliant Chinese Success In Kwangtung Front

SZEWUI, Feb. 18 (Central) — The Chinese recapture of Lupao, strategically important town on the east bank of the North River in Kwangtung, is considered as an important success by competent military observers. Further details regarding the brilliant Chinese success are now available. It is said that more than 5,000 Japanese troops, mostly of the 35th Division, supported by 12 mountain guns and two heavy field guns launched the offensive on Lupao. While a part of the Japanese force made a frontal attack by the highway leading to the town, the remainder developed an encircling movement by way of Shunkai, Cheknai, Paknai, Kwokaihu and Taitong.

The purpose of the Japanese offensive was to annihilate the Chinese force, capture Lupao in order to strengthen the outer defence of Canton and seize all Chinese materials stored there.

The Japanese started the attack on Feb. 10 with the aid of six planes which paved their way of advance by heavy bombing and strafing.

STUBBORN RESISTANCE
Entrenched at vantage points, the Chinese troops put up stubborn resistance at Yeungmu, Namph and Senkoku. After inflicting considerable casualties on the Japanese, the Chinese withdrew slowly toward Lupao in order to entice them into the Chinese encirclement.

Sanguinary fighting took place for two days at Lupao. A part of the Japanese troops succeeded in forcing their way into the town. Braving a rainstorm, the Chinese began a counter-assault on Feb. 12. The Japanese were caught in a pincer movement launched by the Chinese troops inside the town and their reinforcements attacking from Shekkok, north-east of Lupao.

JAPANESE ROUTED
After hours of fighting, the Japanese were routed and beat a retreat via Yeungmu, Wimping, Cheknai and Paknai with the Chinese in pursuit.

Rehabilitation work is being done in Lupao by the Chinese authorities.

NUTRITION PROBLEMS

The nutrition problems of the army are being given special attention in a series of discussions now being held in Chungking among nutrition experts, biologists and health officials under the sponsorship of the National Health Administration. The discussions will last until Feb. 21.

Besides the problems of army nutrition, those affecting the people in general and the treatment of diseases caused by malnutrition will also be discussed and examined.—(Central News).

TO CELEBRATE VICTORY

The Chinese in different hsien in north Hupeh will hold a mass meeting on February 24 to celebrate the recent Chinese victory in south Honan.

The War Zone San Min Chu I (Three People's Principles) Youth Corps is asking students and others to write 300,000 congratulatory letters for distribution to the Chinese troops responsible for the victory.—(Central News).

NEW PRESIDENT OF SUPREME COURT

CHUNGKING, Feb. 18 (Central) — Mr. Li Po, newly-appointed President of the Supreme Court, was sworn in at the National Government Headquarters yesterday morning. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek personally officiated at the ceremony while Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, was also present.

RIVER CONSERVANCY PROJECT

The conservancy works on the banks of the Feng River in Lu-chow, which have been under construction for the past several years, are expected to be completed before June this year.

Built at an estimated cost of \$500,000, the project, when completed, will be able to irrigate an area of 297,000 mow of land.

Ten more conservancy projects are being planned. As soon as the necessary funds for the construction expenses are raised, work will be started immediately.—(Central News).

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — A Rome bulletin on ex-King Alfonso's illness issued at 7.15 a.m. GMT yesterday morning says he passed "a fairly good night" and that there are indications of lessening of the gravity of certain symptoms. King Alfonso has been suffering from heart trouble.



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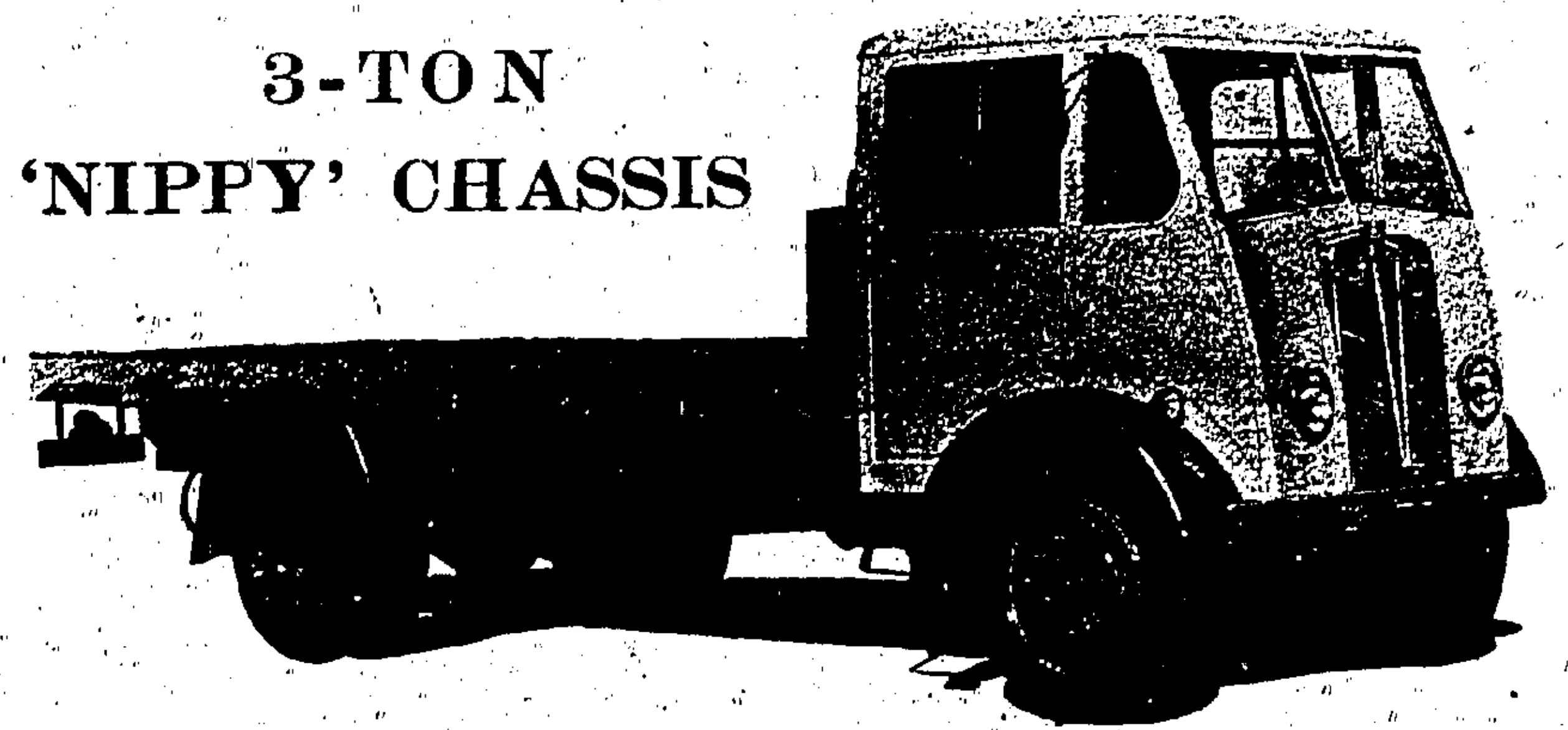
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DIVE-BOMBER STATIONS IN SICILY RAIDED BY R.A.F.

CAIRO, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The lairs of dive-bombers in Sicily were attacked by the R.A.F. during the week-end. A communiqué issued by the R.A.F. Middle East Headquarters says that the attacks took place on the night of Feb. 15.

At Catania, hangars and administrative buildings were bombed and several fires and explosions were caused. Some aircraft on the ground were burned.

At Sosimo, bombs fell on dispersed aircraft causing explosions and fires, one of which lasted over half an hour.

An aerodrome at Gela was also attacked successfully and aircraft on the return journey from this raid machine-gunned the Beacon Station at Cape Passero.

IN ERITREA

Hangars, buildings and workshops at Mai Adaga in Eritrea were heavily damaged and photographs were taken showing the effect of several direct hits. Around Keren, fighter aircraft supported the British troops.

Near Gurz enemy aircraft were intercepted and shot down and others were damaged near Keren. In Abyssinia, dispersed enemy aircraft and stores were set on fire at Chinelli.

Australian fighter aircraft intercepted German bombers near Benghazi and one German plane was shot down.

ENEMY RAIDS

Kafu on Saturday and Sunday caused no damage to R.A.F. property.

A Fleet Air Arm plane on reconnaissance off the coast of Tunis attacked and sank a merchant vessel of about 7,000 tons. Only one British bomber and one fighter failed to return from these operations.

DANUBE BURSTS BANKS

ICE PACKS CHOKE FLOW OF RIVER

VICHY, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — The Danube has burst its banks and 30,000 people have been evacuated from their homes after the waters of the swollen river have burst through the protective dykes 30 miles below Budapest, says a dispatch to the official French news agency.

Engineers made desperate efforts to keep the waters back but in the end the whole region had to be abandoned.

A "second line of defence" has been formed about 12 miles from the Danube, a railway embankment being used.

Military aircraft, meanwhile, are bombing the masses of ice which are stopping the flow of the river.

AXIS NAVY CHIEFS EXCHANGE VIEWS

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuter) — It was announced in Berlin yesterday that Admiral Raeder, Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy and Admiral Riccardi, Secretary of State for the Italian Navy, conferred at Merano, Italy, on Thursday and Friday last.

The official German news agency says: "A thorough exchange of views on the conduct of war against England was carried on in a spirit of comradeship and resulted in complete unanimity."

COURT MARTIAL:

Sapper Was A Hard Worker Until He Kept Bad Company

DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST SAPPER JAMES FREDERICK JOHNS OF THE 40TH FORTRESS COMPANY, ROYAL ENGINEERS, were concluded at Wellington Barracks yesterday morning. The proceedings opened yesterday with an announcement by the President of the Court that accused was found Not Guilty on a charge of attempting to obtain credit from the Mary Silk Store, 60, Johnston Road, Wanchai, by false pretences. Sentences will be promulgated on the remaining two charges of forgery and uttering a forged document knowing it to be forged.

H.K. Border Situation

JAP. WITHDRAWAL RUMOURS DENIED

The Japanese are still garrisoned in the same areas and positions along the border between Namtau, Shumchun and Shataukok and present indications are that they have no intention at all of abandoning these positions, it was learned yesterday.

Reports of the Japanese withdrawal from Shataukok were authoritatively denied yesterday, the strength of the Japanese forces in the border areas remaining the same as before.

The Japanese are still in control in Mirs Bay and Bias Bay, though the Japanese garrison at Shay-chung has been reduced to about 100 men for patrolling the coast. The highway between Pingshan and Au-tau, however, is being heavily garrisoned.

WITHOUT FOUNDATION

Vernacular reports to the effect that the Japanese are re-embarking their war materials and heavy guns and ammunition on transports were described as absolutely without foundation. It is learned that some of the goods left behind by traders at Shaychung and Tamshui had been removed by ships in Bias Bay and this might have given rise to the above reports.

Japanese Residents In The Colony

Japanese residents in the Colony have received no instructions from their Consulate with regard to leaving the Colony, a spokesman of the Japanese Consulate-General in Hongkong told the press yesterday.

The spokesman declared that no Japanese men, women or children had been ordered to leave and they were remaining in Hongkong.

MANILA EVACUEES

It was learned yesterday from reliable sources that Hongkong evacuees in Manila and Bagio have received instruction from the British Consulate to proceed as soon as possible to Australia.

Refugees In The Colony

A decrease of 14 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc., in urban and rural areas is revealed in the returns for the week ending on Feb. 15.

Urban Areas:

King's Park—1,292 against 1,292 on Feb. 8.

Ka Tau Chung—1,444 against 1,424 on Feb. 8.

North Point—1,459 against 1,461 on Feb. 8.

Morrison Hill—533 against 533 on Feb. 8.

Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):

Tai Hang—2,557 against 2,557 on Feb. 8.

Ngau Tau Kok—798 against 798 on Feb. 8.

Rural Areas:

Kaim Tin—1,793 against 1,856 on Feb. 8.

Fanning Children's Camp—328 against 297 on Feb. 8.

Total—10,204 against 10,218 on Feb. 8.

Coolies Stage Mild Demonstration

Fifteen hundred coolies held up the ventilation test being carried out at the air raid tunnels opposite the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the Chartered Bank yesterday morning when they demanded higher payment for their services.

The coolies, who wanted to be paid more than 15 cents for their work, carried out a mild demonstration, but after negotiations agreed to carry on with the test. The exhaust fan system of ventilation in the A.R.P. tunnels was the subject of the test.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

CLERK DISCHARGED

D. S. Mangharam, shop assistant, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with on Apr. 30, 1940, then being a clerk in the employ of Amelia Advaney, fraudulently embezzling the sum of \$45.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers appeared for the prosecution, while defendant was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

In asking for discharge of his client, Mr. Silva said that defendant was employed by complainant in looking after accounts. Some time ago, defendant left the job on account of a misunderstanding with complainant's husband. After he left, complainant's husband went through the books. Seeing that there were three entries of sums drawn from the bank without detail, he demanded an explanation from defendant, to which the latter steadfastly refused.

When he was arrested he explained that the \$45 were in payment of back rent.

The Police, accepting the story, defendant was discharged.

PICK-POCKETS CONVICTED

Members of the light-fingered gentry were apparently not missing from the race track at the opening day of the racing carnival on Monday. Two of them were arrested and brought before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Pleading guilty to stealing a cigarette case from the person of Tso Tat-san, 23, Chan Ping, 27, unemployed, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Similar sentence was imposed on a fountain pen from the person of a Chinese, who was watching the race in Sports Road.

Det.-Sgt. Bentley prosecuted in each case.

FALSE PRETENCES

Lai San, 31, broker, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on two counts of obtaining money by false pretences.

Pleading guilty, defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour on the first charge and two months on the second, sentences to run consecutively.

BURGLARS GAOLED

A burglary at the third floor of No. 83, Connaught Road Central on Monday had a sequel yesterday when Wong Lung-kin, 30

Lo Sang, 29, and Chan Hop, 32, all unemployed, were charged before Mr. Lowry with breaking into the said premises and stealing a typewriter, an electric bell, an electric clock and a quantity of clothing. Total value involved is \$210.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on first defendant and two months each on second and third defendants.

Sub.-Insp. F. W. Fowle prosecuted.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

A private watchman, Ram Singh, 26, charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on charges of behaving in a disorderly manner by being drunk and assaulting a 14-year-old boy, Li Sai, in Hennessy Road on Feb. 9, was sentenced to pay \$25 compensation to the boy and discharged on the first charge with a caution.

Det.-Sgt. J. R. Bentley prosecuted.

TAILOR DISCHARGED

Charged with larceny of \$435 from the person of Ho Hong, 21, travelling trader, in Des Voeux Road West on Feb. 17, a 42-year-old tailor, Chan King-cho, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland-Russ appeared for defendant, while Det.-Sgt. R. Macvey was present for the police.

Complainant being absent from Court, defendant was discharged.

DEFENCE REGULATIONS

Zenosuke Hara, 40, accountant, of Japan, residing at No. 58, Kennedy Road second floor, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry with a breach of the Defence Regulations by conveying 11 letters into the Colony otherwise than by post on Feb. 10.

Sgt. Brooks of the S. B. prosecuting, stated that at 9 a.m. on that day, defendant was seen on board junk No. 2450V lying in prayu in Wanchai Bay opposite a Japanese store. A packet con-

taining nine commercial letters and two personal letters was found in his pocket. When arrested, defendant admitted that he got them off a trawler just arrived from Formosa.

Pleading guilty, defendant was fined \$50.

HEARING FIXED

Hearing of the case in which Wan Chi-wong, 31, and Li Ping, 37, both described as brokers, were charged with attempting to steal 19.7 piculs of wolfram ore, valued at \$3,000, by means of a trick from Hui Shing, accountant of Tung Shing Loong Firm, Cheung Chau Island, between Jan. 7 and 10 was provisionally fixed for Mar. 6 at 2.30 p.m. by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland-Russ is appearing for the prosecution and Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman for the Police, while the defendants will be represented by Mr. P. Y. Woo.

STOWAWAY IN COURT

Appearing on remand before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday, Bernard Claussen, 29, of Holland, charged with being a stowaway on board the steamer Lyeemman between Saigon and Hongkong on Feb. 14, was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment.

Arrangements to be made for defendant to leave the Colony were also ordered.

AT KOWLOON

GAMBLERS FINED

A fine of \$100 was imposed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara on each of the two defendants, Wu Kam, 30, shop-keeper, and Leung Cheung, 29, crane operator, for keeping No. 40, Bowing Street, second floor, as a common gaming house. Two women, Cheng Siu-yung and Chung San, who were charged with gambling, had their bail of \$5 each estreated when they failed to appear.

Table money totalling \$32.19 was ordered to be placed in the Poor Box.

Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin prosecuted.

PETTY LARCENY

Fos larceny of \$13, a metal wrist watch and four pieces of clothing, Kwok Kam-chui, 20, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. Macnamara yesterday.

Defendant was arrested on information at Kilung Street the same evening.

MAGISTERIAL WARNING

Hearing of the case in which Chong Lin, 22, Or Yuk, 17, a 14-year-old girl and a 10-year-old girl, were charged with shoplifting, was concluded before Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday.

First defendant, who was convicted of larceny of a metal necklace and bracelet and a pair of stockings, was bound over in the sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour for one year and ordered to pay \$22.35 compensation to complainants. The 10-year-old girl, who was also convicted, was cautioned, while the other defendants were dismissed.

In passing sentence Mr. Himsforth warned first accused, who was the mother of the 10-year-old girl, that such a young girl should not be misled.

Mr. Percy Chen appeared for the defence.

SNATCHER REMANDED

A 19-year-old schoolgirl, Lau Chi-ching, was the victim of a handbag snatcher who was arrested and charged before Mr. D.J.M. Anderson yesterday. Accused was Ko Shin-hing, 19, who was remanded for 24 hours.

Sgt. A. L. Gordon prosecuted.

PROFITEER CHARGED

Alleged to have sold two cetties of second grade rice for 22 cents which was 4 cents in excess of the price fixed by the Controller of Food, Li Yi, master of a rice shop at No. 19, Argyle Street, was summoned before Mr. Anderson yesterday.

Mr. H.A. de B. Botelho appeared for defendant, while Sub-Inspector T. Collins represented the Police.

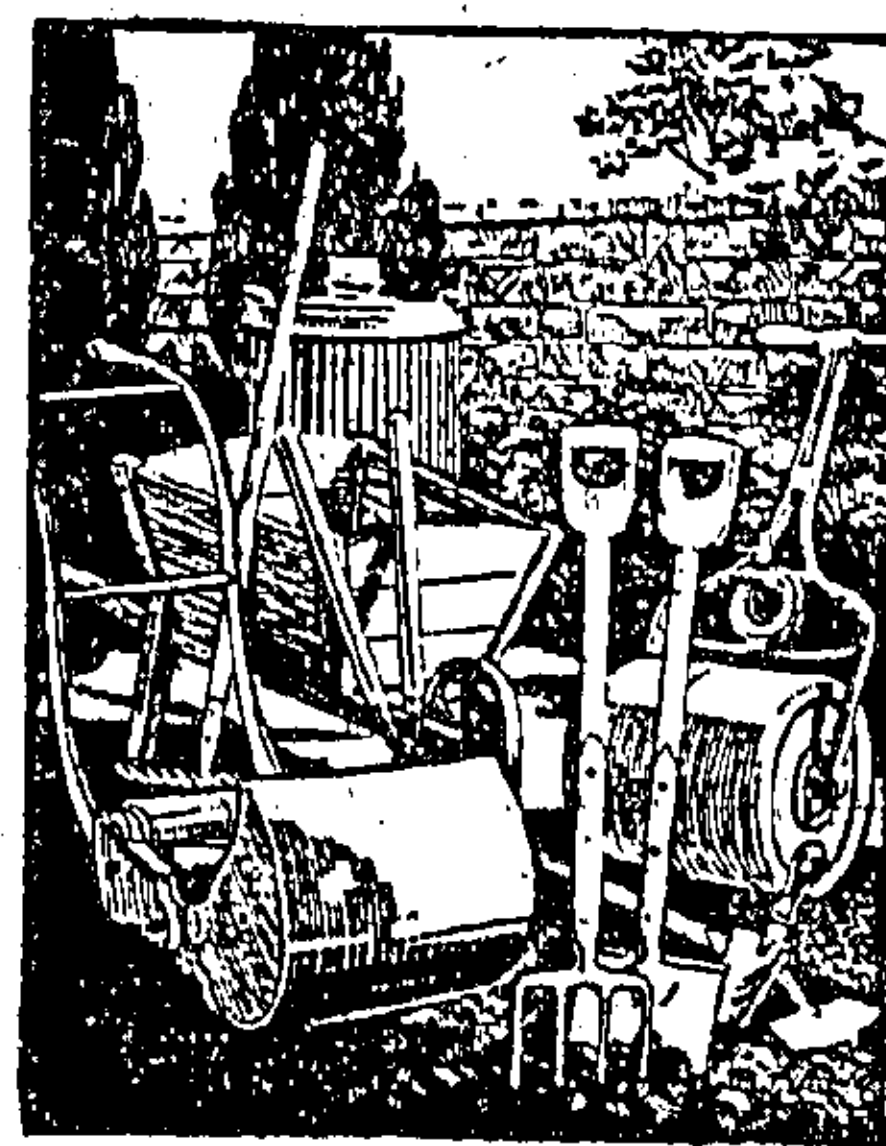
Hearing was fixed for Friday.

HEROIN PILLS

A fine of \$2,500, in default, six months' hard labour, and a further 12 months' hard labour were imposed by Mr. Anderson yesterday on Leung Shui, 49, for possession of 10,089 heroin pills at No. 7, Cheung Lok Street.

Li Ting, 50, woman, who was similarly charged, was dismissed owing to insufficient evidence against her.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 24th day of February, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4932	As per sale plan	About 5,100	92	10,000

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the Auctioneer in cash the sum of \$1000 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 28th February, 1941, at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 19th February, 1941, to Friday, the 28th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 12th February, 1941.

MOBILE CANTEENS

The British War Organisation Fund received the following telegram from the Red Cross and St. John War Organisation, London:

"Your letter" December 3 very much regret now impossible obtain Mobile Canteens due difficulties procure material stop you would render greatest service if you agree \$1,500 earmarked relief air raid victims."

It will be remembered that a sum of \$1,500 was remitted (on December 3, 1940) for the purchase of Mobile Canteens. In view of the above communication it has now been agreed that the funds be diverted for the relief of air raid victims, as suggested in the Red Cross cable.

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OUR IMMIGRATION INCONSISTENCIES

IT IS DOUBTFUL whether any Government department has ever earned, in such a short space of time since its establishment, such criticism from the public as the Hongkong Immigration Office.

Complaints against the working of the department and the possibilities it has created for the operation of corrupt practices by "outside racketeers," who have seized these opportunities to collect their illegal gains, have reached the nauseous stage. Representations, we believe, have been made to the authorities on numerous occasions, both by private individuals and by public organisations in the Colony, while the columns of this paper have repeatedly made public some of the more glaring defects of the present system in an endeavour to induce the authorities and those responsible for the working of the department to take a more serious view of the position into which the scheme was drifting and to bring about drastic remedial measures. These efforts were not all unproductive. Some attempt, however half-hearted, was made to deal with the complaints made to the authorities, but other loopholes appear to have been allowed to emerge and the position has continued to deteriorate to such an extent that even public patience and tolerance have now been exhausted.

WE HAVE all along acknowledged that the task before the Immigration Office is a difficult one. It was patent, therefore, that the greatest care and perspicacity should have been employed in making the organisation fool-proof and impervious to attempts to exploit the situation and thus to defeat the very object for which it was established, namely, the reduction of the surplus population in the Colony and, what is more important, to keep undesirable from seeking hospitality here in order to continue their nefarious methods of preying on society. Neither of these aims has so far shown any indication of being successfully achieved. The defects in the working of the system continue unchecked and it has become increasingly apparent that the thousands of men and women who have been assembling in crowds before the office almost daily, from the time it opened its doors, are still unaware of the real purpose of the scheme and are labouring under the gravest of misapprehensions in regard to what is expected of them.

THIS NEGLECT to take proper measures to have the whole scheme explained to all and sundry has created evils which have grown to proportions that it seems difficult to check now. What has aggravated the position is the utter inefficiency with which the department continues its activities. Appointments to responsible positions in the office have been made with a haphazardness that has soon become evident. Few, if any, of the newly-appointed officers seem capable of carrying

CHINA AND MODERN OBSTETRICS

Interesting Lecture By Prof. Gordon King

"IN China, until quite recent times, and even now in many parts of the country, it is safe to say that the majority of the births have been in the hands of comparatively ignorant and completely untrained women, just as was the case in Europe a hundred years ago."

The above is an extract from a lecture entitled "China and Modern Obstetrics" given by PROF. GORDON KING, F.R.C.S., F.R.C.O.G., at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening. The lecture, held under the auspices of the Hongkong Nurses' and Midwives' Association, was largely attended.

Prof. King traced the progress and development in the practice of obstetrics up to the present time, from the introduction of the forceps, by William Chamberlain in the 17th century to the discovery of chloroform by Sir James Y. Simpson in 1847, and the great discovery concerning the infectious nature of puerperal fever by Oliver Wendell Holmes (in America) and Semmelweis (in Austria).

"The present century," went on Prof. King, "has been notable for several lines of advance, such as the planned attack upon maternal mortality and morbidity, the new attack on infantile mortality, the development of the movement for antenatal care and the State recognition of midwives."

On the question of infantile mortality, the speaker cited as an example the Netherlands where in 30 years the rate had decreased from 166 to 49 per 1,000 births. This was achieved by popular education of mothers.

In China, even today, the speaker revealed, no fewer than 500 women perish daily as a result of the various complications of childbirth, which, even now in many parts of the country, have been in the hands of ignorant and completely untrained women.

Western obstetrical methods came to China with the advent of Western medicine over 100 years ago, largely in connexion with missionary hospitals, but it was not until 1929 this work was on a national-wide scale when the "National Midwifery Board" was established under the Chinese Government.

THE WEATHER

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 6.99 inches against an average of 2.29.

Maximum temperature yesterday was 65 and the minimum 62.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

The anticyclone continues to decrease in intensity, pressure remaining highest over Korea and the neighbouring seas.

out their duties to the satisfaction of the public and protestations are beginning to become more and more insistent for a full and complete inquiry into the qualifications of those who have been assigned to duties for which they appear to be unsuited. It must be borne in mind that these criticisms and complaints have not only come from the poorer classes of the population, who, through ignorance of the meaning of the whole scheme, have become the victims for the blatant methods of racketeers, but from responsible business concerns which have been greatly inconvenienced by lack of responsibility with which the officers of the department have been performing their duties. We understand that shipping firms, for instance, are a great deal concerned over the delays caused by inspectors of the department. It is inconceivable that this state of affairs can continue and a thorough investigation into the working of the department will have to be undertaken if it is to secure any public confidence in the future. We believe that a demand for such an investigation is to be shortly made and the Government would be advised to approve of it and have it conducted at the earliest opportunity.

TRAVELS IN S.W. PROVINCES OF CHINA

A highly interesting talk on "Some travels and adventures in the South-Western provinces of China," illustrated with lantern slides, was given by Prof. R. C. Robertson to a capacity crowd at the first general meeting of the University Education Society last night.

The audience was literally taken on a tour of thousands of miles, starting out at Hunan, winding through Kwangsi and Yunnan, (of the latter the Burma Road was the chief topic), and finally ending up at Mandalay in British Burma.

Although the Burma Road was shown as it was before it was completed, Prof. Robertson described it as "one of the most beautiful scenic roads of the world."

The speaker was thanked by Prof. L. Forster.

DERBY TICKETS STOLEN

The loss of a number of Derby tickets was reported to the Police yesterday.

Leung San, a woman of Cheung Chau, reported that while travelling in a tram at the Central district yesterday she had jewellery, money and five Derby tickets, to the total value of \$117, stolen from her.

A man, Lung Chau, electrician, also reported that eight Derby tickets were stolen from him yesterday.

RED CROSS RELIEF WORK DESCRIBED

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DOCTOR STRUCK OFF REGISTER

LONDON.—Dr. Martin Herboldt Jacobs, 46, whose marriage has been dissolved and who is now living in South Africa with another man's wife, was found guilty by the General Medical Council of "infamous conduct in a professional respect." His name was ordered to be erased from the Medical Register. He was registered as of Oldstreet, E.C.

The charge against him was that he committed adultery with Gladys Ethel Iverleigh, a married woman, of which adultery he was found guilty by a decree dissolving his own marriage in February, 1940—and that he stood in professional relationship with Mrs. Iverleigh or her family from about the beginning of 1934 until November, 1934.

RELIGIOUS GROUNDS

Mrs. Iverleigh's husband, it was stated, objected to divorce on religious grounds.

In a letter to the Council Mr. Jacobs wrote: "Mrs. Iverleigh had never been a patient of mine, and had twice left her husband. I have lived with her, and we are still living together most happily. I feel that I cannot be looked upon as having committed adultery. I have formed a union with a woman not wanted by her husband."

"She has been given the only real affection she has ever had in her life," and she has given me the most blessed and harmonious years I have ever had in my adult life."

EX-HEADMAN HANGS HIMSELF

An aged ex-headman of Mudaragama named Amarasingharachige Don Seedoris, was found hanging from a beam in his son-in-law's watch hut in Mirigama.

A post-mortem examination was held on the deceased by Mirigama's District Medical Officer, Dr. W. A. Thomas.

Mr. D. S. Dassenaike, the Coroner, who held an enquiry, was of opinion that the deceased took his life in a drunken fit. He returned a verdict accordingly.

The speaker at the Y.M.C.A. Sunday Discussion Group to be held on Feb. 23 at 9 p.m. in the West Lounge, will be Dr. F. R. Ashton and his subject will be "A Doctor Looks at Life and Religion."

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RECONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS

LONDON, Feb. 18 (BWS)—Sir Charles Innes, formerly Commerce Member of the Governor-General of India's Council and later Governor of Burma, is examining problems of industrial reconstruction after the war at the request of the President of the Board of Trade.

CAN JAPAN SUCCEED WHERE ITALY FAILED? MR. BARTLETT'S VIEWS

"Is there any reason to think that if Italy failed to get what she wanted to get in France, when France was down and out, when we were being pressed at Dunkirk and when the United States was still undecided on the attitude she should take—Is there any reason to think that if Italy failed then, Japan will succeed now?" asked MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., well-known authority on international developments, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"Herr Hitler and his heel-clicking generals are putting the final touches to complete their plans for the domination of Europe—and not only Europe, but the world," began Mr. Bartlett.

ZERO HOUR NEAR

"Our people here are almost relieved now to think that zero hour is very near. Last year Herr Hitler called the tune and this year he has not got it all his own way. That gives us confidence. He has new difficulties to overcome."

"A week ago I said that Japan seemed inclined to play her part in spreading the war and that an agreement with Soviet Russia would be 'an important part of this move.' A few days ago Mr. Matsuoaka said how much Japan's relations with Soviet Russia were improving. This might induce Japan to think she should attack Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies, without fear of Russia attacking her."

"And yet, the prospects of Japan going to war are so serious that one is not surprised to hear that a great many businessmen in Japan are getting alarmed at the policy of their statesmen."

WHERE ITALY FAILED

Mr. Bartlett went on to state that a great part of the materials Japan would need if she went to war came to her from the great western democracies and most of her imports came from countries in the Southern Pacific which might now easily be turned into battlefields. Japan could have united with China in the market against her," went on Mr. Bartlett. "Possibly the Japanese Government does not think very much of the government of Signor Mussolini. But, they cannot neglect to take note of what has happened."

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JAPAN'S ECONOMIC POSITION
Mr. Bartlett next commented on Japan's economic position. He stated that Japan's harvest had been the worst in many years. The conscription of business had greatly reduced the country's output and this year Japan would have to import between 80 million and 140 million bushels of rice from abroad.

"Where can they get it from?" continued Mr. Bartlett. "Some of it might come from Indo-China and Thailand if their present exports were all diverted to Japan. Some of it might come from the Dutch East Indies, but the use of threats will not obtain it. Japan, therefore, by extending the war to the South Seas might destroy the only markets from which she gets her rice and in the line of these markets is a strong line of Anglo-American bases."

Mr. Bartlett said that Britain and America had, in the past, been the best markets for Japanese products and now Japan's industrial production was decreasing.

"If Tokyo goes to war to satisfy Herr Hitler it will be proof of what Herr Hitler himself has been doing and that is to distract attention from trouble at home by starting trouble abroad."

"Since Japan joined the Axis, a German now sits in the Ministry of the Interior in Tokyo and very

little of the fact that Britain has not lost the war is now allowed to reach the Japanese people.

THE BALKANS

"The Bulgarian people," said Mr. Bartlett, "are being misled in the same way. It would seem that the members of the Bulgarian Government who wanted to avoid war are not allowed to express their views and the press takes great care that the Bulgarian people should know very little of British competence."

"Herr Hitler now expects to control Bulgaria and Yugoslavia without firing a shot. The blocks of ice on the Danube are still too large to enable the Nazis to build even temporary bridges, but we are, without any doubt very near zero hour in the Balkans."

Mr. Bartlett declared that the statements that had emanated from Nazi sources that Yugoslavia had been bought in on the side of the Axis was a sign of the times and went on to give the demands which Germany had made on Yugoslavia and the compensation which Yugoslavia was to receive was a chunk of Albania, although Albania was under Italian control. "You cannot imagine Signor Mussolini transferring a part of Albania to Yugoslavia six months ago," said Mr. Bartlett. "It was to check Yugoslavia that Signor Mussolini grabbed Albania in the first place."

ANOTHER OFFER

"Another offer to Yugoslavia is an outlet to the Mediterranean at Salonika. That is more attractive to them. But Salonika is part of Greece and Germany is not yet at war with Greece. The German minister at Athens is said to be trying to make the Greeks agree to these terms, provided the Greeks break off relations with Britain. "There is not the slightest sign that the Greek Government is going to be caught in this trap. But if there were any Greeks who felt to the man who decided to stab the back and get what was going at that time without any instance read in the Italian press today of processions and demonstrations shouting "Tunis! Corsica! Djibouti!"

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"We in Great Britain cannot see that reason and we are wondering to what extent all these threats become part of the war of nerves."

JAPAN'S ECONOMIC POSITION
Mr. Bartlett next commented on Japan's economic position. He stated that Japan's harvest had been the worst in many years. The conscription of business had greatly reduced the country's output and this year Japan would have to import between 80 million and 140 million bushels of rice from abroad.

"Where can they get it from?" continued Mr. Bartlett. "Some of it might come from Indo-China and Thailand if their present exports were all diverted to Japan. Some of it might come from the Dutch East Indies, but the use of threats will not obtain it. Japan, therefore, by extending the war to the South Seas might destroy the only markets from which she gets her rice and in the line of these markets is a strong line of Anglo-American bases."

Mr. Bartlett said that Britain and America had, in the past, been the best markets for Japanese products and now Japan's industrial production was decreasing.

"If Tokyo goes to war to satisfy Herr Hitler it will be proof of what Herr Hitler himself has been doing and that is to distract attention from trouble at home by starting trouble abroad."

"Since Japan joined the Axis, a German now sits in the Ministry of the Interior in Tokyo and very

NO CASH FOR TRASH

If you have some special news,
Send it in.
If you've knowledge to diffuse,
Send it in.
If you have a bad complaint,
Send it in.
If you've something cute and quaint,
Send it in.
If your views you wish to air,
Send it in.
If something good you've to share,
Send it in.
If editors you wish to slaughter,
Send it in.
If you've a joke that'll provoke laughter,
Send it in.
If you've no news, yet still must write,
Send it in.
If you have a wrong you wish to right,
Send it in.
Never mind your style or grammar,
Send it in.
Into shape the Ed'll hammer,
Send it in!

Japan Ready To Mediate "In Any War"

TOKYO, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Japan is ready to mediate "in any war" if invited and if the situation is favourable, MR. ISHII, the Japanese Government spokesman told foreign Press correspondents this morning.

Mr. Ishii read a prepared statement deploring "the various alarming reports" concerning the situation in the Far East. He sought to stress Japan's desire for peace in contrast to "the warlike preparations by Britain and America to meet the supposed contingencies in the Pacific and the South Seas."

Mr. Ishii added that "we are utterly unable to see the good of prolonging the war."

"Various alarming reports have reached Japan, purporting to give the impression the situation in East Asia has become radically tense."

"We want to repeat the purpose of the Tripartite Pact is peaceful."

"The leading Powers have great responsibilities in restoring world peace and civilisation."

The spokesman declined to divulge the contents of the recent

conversation between the British Ambassador and the Japanese Foreign Minister.

"OUR CONVICTION"

Addressing the Budgetary Committee in the Lower House, Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, urged the people of Japan to demonstrate they "are determined to establish an East Asiatic sphere of co-prosperity. That is our conviction which we shall not abandon, regardless of what may come."

Mr. Matsuoka assured the Committee that the Japanese Government was utterly uninformed of the German plans of invasion of Britain.

He told a questioner that the United States Lease and Lend Bill could not be effective before six months after passage to restrain a possible German invasion of Britain.

German Merchant Vessel Sunk By Naval Aircraft In Mediterranean

LONDON, Feb. 18 (British Wireless)—An official Admiralty communique states that a GERMAN MERCHANT VESSEL OF ABOUT 4,000 TONS, which was being used by the Italians as a supply ship, has been sunk by naval aircraft in the Central Mediterranean.

AN ITALIAN SUPPLY SHIP OF ABOUT 6,000 TONS has also been successfully attacked by naval aircraft. When last seen, it was rising from her. The crew were seen abandoning the ship in lifeboats.

Another supply ship of about 4,000 tons and an ITALIAN AUXILIARY WARSHIP have been damaged during the attacks by naval aircraft.

All our aircraft returned safely from these attacks, which are in addition to the Fleet Air Arm attacks on merchant ships in the Central Mediterranean mentioned in the R.A.F. Middle East communique of Feb. 15.

MERCANTILE LOSSES

LONDON, Feb. 18 (British Wireless)—Mercantile losses due to enemy action for the week ended midnight Feb. 9, totalled 13 ships of 29,806 tons comprising NINE BRITISH, of a total of 19,364 tons, and FOUR ALLIED ships, of 10,442 tons.

The loss during the week is less than one half of the average total of weekly loss since the beginning of the war.

PREPARATIONS BY BRITAIN

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dangerous to us than a walking stick.

The THAINUM says that a Japanese writer has stated that if Japan fights England, Singapore will be attacked from land and air, and it is probably because of this, that England has taken precautionary measures. Does England also fear aggression from Thailand? We would like to convince England that we have no such intention.

Japan, says the SIENGTHAI, has thrown in the greater part of her army in China and she cannot risk her navy in a fight with America. In any case, England, America and China will always be ready to halt a Japanese push whenever it comes.

NO TRUTH IN RUMOUR

BANGKOK, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—The Government has made investigations regarding the rumour that the people of the Southern provinces of Thailand are greatly perturbed by the patrolling of British warships in Thai territorial waters off Songkhla and by the massing of British troops on the Thai border.

There is no truth whatever in this rumour, says a communique from London.

ATTACK DISCUSSED

The possibility of an attack on Singapore from the north is frankly discussed by the STRAITS TIMES, states a message from Sydney.

The paper regards a land invasion by way of Thailand as highly improbable. An attack by sea will use up the greater part of any one country's fleet.

In the meantime, adds the Sydney message, reports from Thailand confirm that the relations between that country and Britain are most cordial.—(Special)

KING RETURNING

King Ananda of Thailand is reported to be leaving Europe shortly to return to Bangkok, states a message from Sydney.

He has spent many years in Switzerland for his health and is now proposing to return to his country.—(Special)

Driving Wops Out Of Abyssinia

The latest communique from CAIRO, according to a London message, reveals how the people of ABYSSINIA are driving the ITALIANS out of the country.

As a result the Italians have now evacuated Darghela on the Gojan road which is 100 miles to the north of Addis Ababa. Darghela is 150 miles to the north of Addis Ababa.

On all other fronts there was no change.

A report from Nairobi states that operations on the line of the Juba River in Italian Somaliland are continuing.

More Italian prisoners, totalling 550 officers and 1,500 men, have arrived in Bombay.—(Special)

POINTED WARNING TO NOMURA

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to promote the new order. HE CANNOT HOPE FOR AMERICAN SYMPATHY for it involves aggression running counter to principles to which America is firmly wedded, including China's right to lead her own life and the inalienable right of equal opportunity guaranteed by the treaties to which Japan herself pledged allegiance.

The paper adds that "Japan must understand that only deeds and not words or false promises can bring improved relations with the United States."

POINTED REMINDER

The WASHINGTON POST, under the heading "Jitters in Tokyo" says that the conversations between MR. CORDELL HULL and the Envoys of Britain, Australia and the Netherlands, should serve as a pointed reminder to Japan that her dream of acquiring the rich and imperial domains of South-East Asia, may suffer a rude awakening.

The community interest displayed by the United States, the British Empire and the Netherlands, may have a sequel in a parallel action, whose possibilities are not pleasant for the Island Empire. The paper sees a significant fact when the capital, showing the

greatest alarm over the week-end, was TOKYO.

The sudden vision of a war with the United States crystallised a fluid opposition in Japan to a southward expansion, but the paper warns that much faith cannot be placed on the wishes of the Japanese people to remain at peace with the United States, BECAUSE THE DECISION WILL NOT REST IN THEIR HANDS, BUT IN THE HANDS OF THE JAPANESE ARMY AND NAVY CHIEFTAINS, who are more likely to be deterred by the interested Powers.

The paper concludes by advocating the speeding up of a complete understanding between the United States, Britain, Australia and the Netherlands, regarding the course to be pursued in the face of a Japanese southward pressure.

RANGOON, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Burma's confidence in her own preparations, backed by the might of the Empire, to meet any attack, was expressed by Sir Archibald Cochrane, Governor, in a speech today.

The loss of a lady's gold watch case was reported to the Police by Tao Kwong, shop folk, of No. 176, Des Voeux Road Central. It was picked up by a Chinese who disappeared in the crowd.

Turco-Bulgaria Pact

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Different interpretations are being placed on the pact of friendship which had recently been signed between Bulgaria and Turkey, states a message from Sydney.

German propaganda says that it removes any obstacles so far as the Nazis are concerned for the moving of German troops across Bulgaria.

Britain regards the pact in a different light, and takes the view that Turkey has secured for herself freedom of action.—(Special)

FULL REPORT

The Prime Minister of Yugoslavia has sent a full report to the Cabinet of his journey to and his conversations in Berlin and the result of his interviews with Herr Hitler, states a message from Saigon.

The same message, referring to the friendship pact signed between Bulgaria and Turkey, declares that in Sofia it is stated that the agreement is considered as an indication that Turkey will remain neutral in the event of developments in Bulgaria so long as they do not immediately threaten Turkish security.

BOMBER-TROOP CARRIER

The world's largest bomber-troop carrier will soon be in production in America, states a message from Sydney.

The new machine will be Douglas machine of 80 tons. Its armaments are at present a secret, but it is stated that it will be powerful enough to beat off any attack without assistance from escorting aircraft.—(Special)

WHAT PRICE WILL JAPAN DEMAND FOR HER WAR MEDIATION?

SAIGON, Feb. 3.—"How big a price will French Indo-China have to pay for Japanese mediation" of this colony's territorial dispute with Thailand? This question, with its menacing implications, faces colonial officials and the general public as they anxiously await the opening of peace negotiations in Tokyo following the recent signing of a truce agreement here, writes Frank Martin in the Manila Bulletin.

Officials are unanimously agreed that the Tokyo negotiations, scheduled to start within a week, will have a great bearing on the future of the colony whose important northern areas already are under Tokyo's thumb.

In engineering the Thai-Indo-China truce agreement last week the Japanese achieved an undisputed coup in their Greater East Asia policy the full significance of which is expected to be made known during the Tokyo parleys.

The French five-man peace delegation, headed by Georges Gautier, the cabinet director, is leaving for Tokyo shortly to join French Ambassador Henry Arsene for the negotiations.

OUTSTANDING FEATURE
The outstanding feature of Japanese mediation of the Thai-Indo-China dispute was the speed with which the armistice machinery was created, the speed in rounding up delegates and the quick signing of the truce agreement. This gave rise to the belief that Japan has her eye on bigger prizes and is anxious to settle the Indo-China account and "collect" the mediation "fee."

The most valuable Indo-China assets in which Japan may be interested are: first, the Camranh naval base on a natural bay easily defended but without modern facilities; second, control of Cape Saint Jacques which controls all

shipping to and from Saigon, the largest city of Indo-China; third, the Saigon airport called one of the best in the Far East; fourth, the Saigon naval boat-yards with their machine shops and drydocks; fifth, economic concessions especially covering rice supplies for Japan.

SPEED AND EFFICIENCY
Foreign observers, were greatly impressed by the speed and efficiency with which the Japanese brought the armistice negotiations to a conclusion giving the impression that they were making up for lost time in building a missing stepping stone between China and Thailand for further expansion southward.

The French had hoped for United States mediation of the territorial differences which caused the recent bloody border warfare when it was not forthcoming they reluctantly accepted Japan's offer to mediate inasmuch as their military strength was negligible.

The armistice found all available man power mobilised but badly lacking war equipment, with only a few months supply of munitions on hand, with very few warplanes and with uncertainties affecting general business. The populace of the colony realises that serious developments are ahead but the people are making every effort to carry on their daily duties.

Japanese Anxiety Over Cotton Supply

Japanese cotton mill proprietors in China are anxious over a possible shortage of the cotton supply in the current year.

Prior to the war, the annual yield of cotton from China's cotton-producing areas was estimated at approximately 14,500,000 piculs, including 450,000 piculs from Hopei, Shantung, and Shanghai and 3,800,000 from Szechuan, Kiangsu and Chekiang.

BRITISH ARMY WANTS DOGS

LONDON—The Army authorities have decided to experiment with the employment of dogs for patrol work and as message-carriers. To this end dog trainers and soldiers who own certain breeds of dogs are invited to place their names on a register.

It is intended to organise a training school and to instruct soldier-owners in the methods most useful for work in the field.

It is understood that Alsatians, retrievers and Airedales are among the dogs best suited for Army purposes. Alsatians and Airedales can easily be trained to search for wounded.

DESPATCH CARRIERS

Other armies have used dogs as despatch carriers for many years. In the British Army Airedales have been used for certain tasks, but not to any large extent.

The Germans have been using dogs in the field, and many have been seen running about in the

neighbourhood of their lines. The French had their dog training section consisting of a chief trainer with some eight or ten assistants.

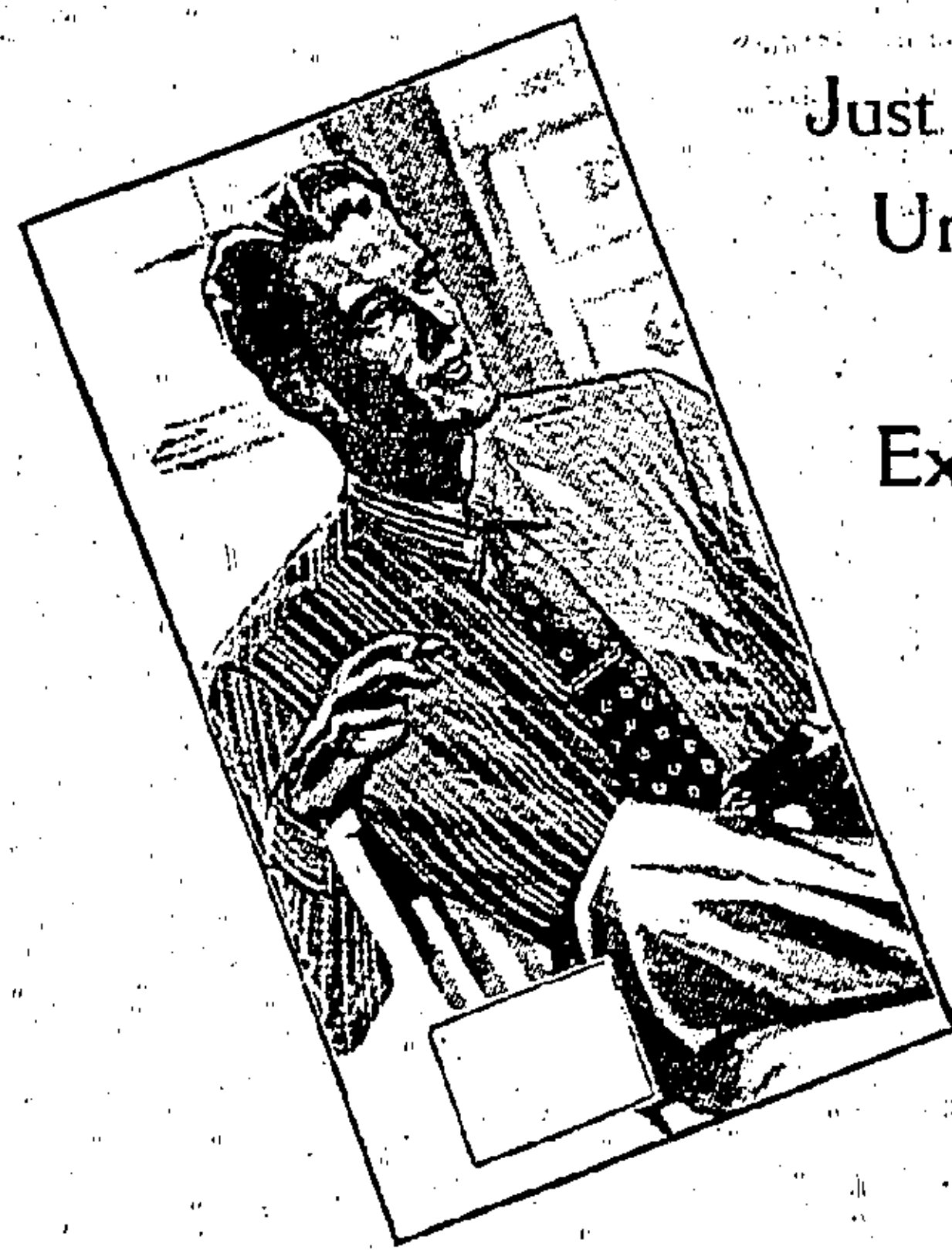


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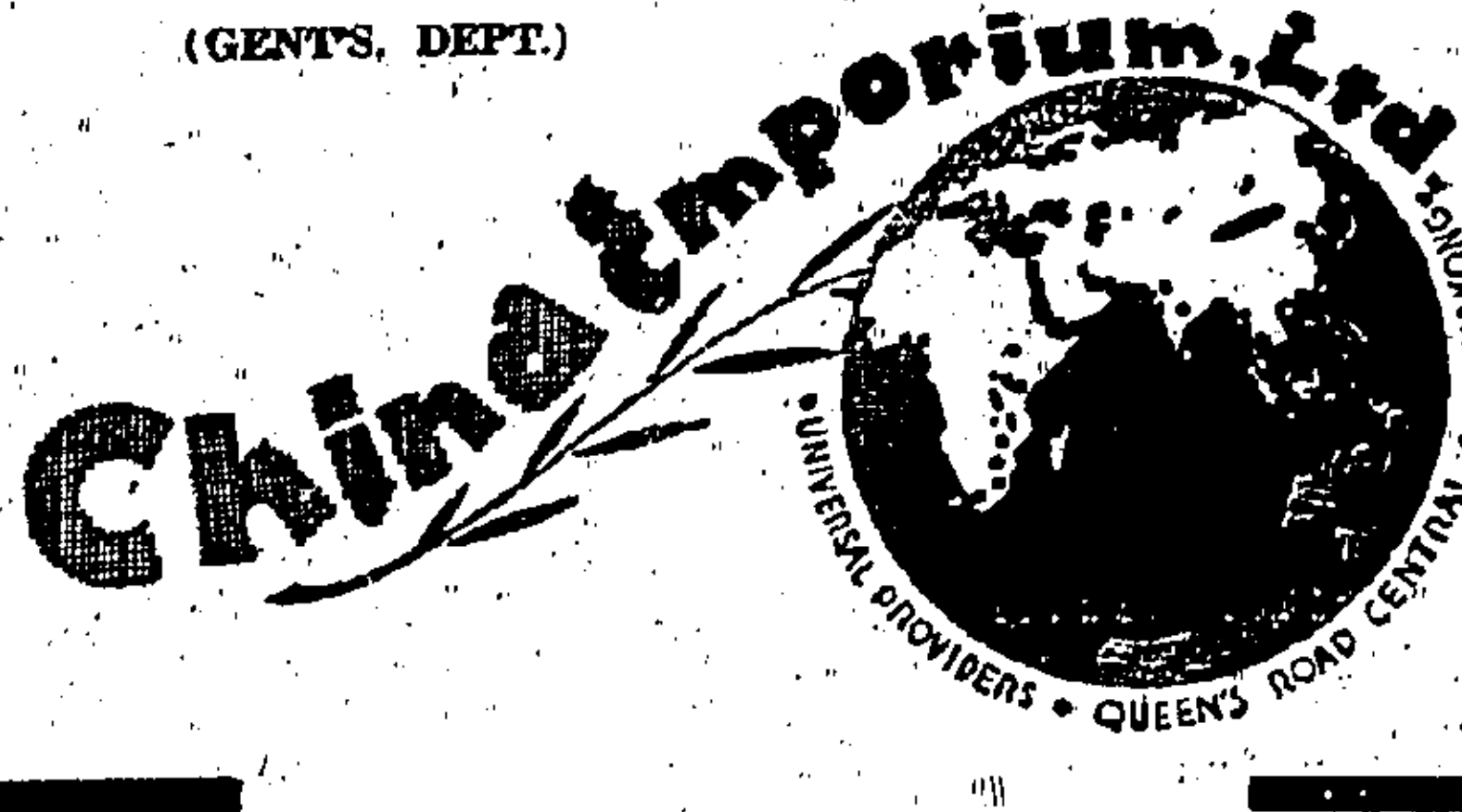
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (Reuter)—Full responsibility was laid on Germany for feeding the people in Nazi occupied countries by Mr. Sumner Welles, in a statement here today. The United States Government, he said, was taking no part in advancing Mr. Herbert Hoover's new experimental plan for European relief.

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Heaters, E. P., Brass, Porcelain and
Glass Ware, Wardrobe & Cabin
Trunks, Carpets & Rugs, Cutlery,
Candles, Ornaments, Pictures, Cook-
ing Utensils, etc., etc.

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1 "R.C.A." Radio-gram
1 Tinted Carpet
1 Enamelled Bath
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1 Bathroom Scale
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2 Bed Room Suites

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ANNUAL RACE MEETING RESULTS

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Also ran: Charlesber, 152 lbs.
(L. B. Chao); Eve of Deception, 150
(B. L. Tao); Eve of Grandeur, 152
(W. H. S. Davis); World Fair View,
152 (H. C. Pih).
7 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Charlesber	1.194	1.084
Eve of Deception	95	132
Eve of Grandeur	131	138
Lovelylight	288	295
Oolong	2.038	1.324
Velvetlight	482	482
World Fair View	409	377
Total	4,615	3,832

7.—Garrison Cup (From the 2 Mile)
Post Once Round & In (About
One Mile 171 Yards)

Mr. Hollandia's Dutch Treat,
152 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 1
Mr. C.H.'s Black Seal, 152 lbs.
(Mr. L. B. Chao) 2
Mr. C. H. Chan's Bugle, 149 lbs.
(Mr. P. Y. T. Wei) 3

Lex Fort was fourth.
Won by a short head, half a
length between second and third.
Time: 2:06.4.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$78.50.
Places: \$8.90, \$5.90, \$6.80.

Also ran: Anzac Day, 149 lbs.
(H. J. A. Hearne); Corriedoo, 152
(D. Black); Daylight, 152 (C. B.
Moller); Joan, 152 (S. L. Sung);
Lex Fort, 152 (M. M. Sokoloff); Na-
tional Endurance, 152 (B. L. Tao);
Sunspot, 147 (Hoo Pak Ming);
Swallow, 152 (S. L. Yuen).
11 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Anzac Day	184	239
Black Seal	2.124	1.802
Bugle	884	879
Corriedoo	128	192
Daylight	328	409
Dutch Treat	237	400
Joan	23	54
Lex Fort	248	376
National Endurance	94	151
Sunspot	14	27
Swallow	9	33
Total	4,218	4,562

8.—Austral Derby (1 1/2 Miles)
Mr. Lan's Distant View, 152
lbs. (Mr. H. C. Pih) 1
Mr. T.K.L.'s Oracle, 151 lbs.
(Mr. V. V. Needa) 2
Mr. P. & L.'s First Love, 152 lbs.
(Mr. S. C. Liang) 3

Gay Fox was fourth.
Won by many lengths, 3 lengths
between second and third.
Time: 2:54.1.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$11.70.
Places: \$6.90, \$19.50, \$9.80.

Also ran: A Happy Time, 152
lbs. (P. Noodt); Colooma, 152 (D.
Black); Gay Fox, 152 (W. H. S. Davis);
Gloaming, 152 (W. G. Poy);
Marsh Warbler, 152 (C. B. Moller);
National Courage, 152 (B. L. Tao);
Nomine Poenae, 152 (L. B. Chao);
Prairie View, 152 (P. Y. T. Wei);
Vis Major, 152 (M. M. Sokoloff).
12 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
A Happy Time	432	380
Colooma	85	95
Distant View	2,163	1,587
First Love	960	628
Gay Fox	34	47
Gloaming	103	126
Marsh Warbler	250	266
National Courage	164	122
Nomine Poenae	899	859
Oracle	244	207
Prairie View	190	204
Vis Major	224	263
Total	5,748	4,784

9.—Perth Plate (2nd Section) (Half
A Mile)

Mr. P. M. Hoo's Bendemeer, 152
lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 1
Mr. G. A. Harriman's Royal
Sovereign, 152 lbs.
(Mr. F. Noodt) 2
Mr. C.N.K.'s Newborn Star, 152
lbs. (Mr. D. H. S. Craven) 3

High Hat was fourth.
Won by 2 lengths, 4 lengths be-
tween second and third.
Time: 54.1.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$11.50.
Places: \$5.50, \$5.80, \$5.60.

Also ran: Angel of Peace, 144
lbs. (R. K. C. Chui); Baggage
Master, 152 (H. S. Chang); Bone-
shaker, 147 (Chui Ki Fan); Buck-
fastleigh, 152 (W. H. S. Davis);
Gold Rod, 149 (S. C. Liang); High
Hat, 149 (W. G. Poy); Leading
Star, 152 (G. Trevorton); Macy,
144 (Hoo Pak Ming); Starlight, 149
(H. C. Pih); Trade Wind, 151 (B.
L. Tao); Vigor, 152 (S. L. Sung).
14 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Angel of Peace	10	14
Baggage Master	64	77
Bendemeer	1,758	1,419
Boneshaker	18	23
Buckfastleigh	309	253

	Win.	Place.
Gold Rod	32	49
High Hat	31	52
Leading Star	68	89
Macy	16	24
Newborn Star	917	866
Royal Sovereign	1,111	815
Starlight	96	116
Trade Wind	131	123
Vigor	20	35
Total	4,579	4,055

10.—Lusitano Cup (1 1/2 Miles)

Mr. C.C.F.'s Santa Anita, 153
lbs. (Mr. S. C. Liang) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King's Flight, 152
lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 2
Mr. L.W.S.'s Corsair, 150 lbs.
(Mr. P. P. Botelho) 3

Sports Lady was fourth.
Won by 3 lengths, 2 lengths
between second and third.
Time: 2:30.2.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$19.40.
Places: \$7.40, \$11, \$9.90.

Also ran: National Blessings,
152 lbs. (B. L. Tao); Ophir, 154 (S.
L. Sung); Seal River, 149 (D.
Black); Seventy Six, 152 (Hoo Hong
Ping); Sports Lady, 149 (R. M.
Wood); Sydney Diamond, 152 (H.
S. Chang); Sydney Lady, 152 (H.
J. A. Hearne); The Hawk, 153 (W.
H. S. Davis).
11 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Corsair	541	486
King's Flight	407	399
National Blessings	89	85
Ophir	25	67
Santa Anita	959	994
Seal River	242	475
Seventy Six	14	17
Sports Lady	16	24
Sydney Diamond	923	680
Sydney Lady	576	434
The Hawk	74	90
Total	4,226	3,752

11.—Amoy Handicap, "D" Class
(6 Furlongs)

Mr. Eve's Eve of Peace, 159 lbs.
(Mr. R. M. Wood) 1
Mr. Kong Bros.' Lovely Star, 159
lbs. (Mr. K. W. Fung) 2
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Royal
Wedding Eve, 166 lbs.
(Mr. L. J. A. Fielden) 3

Eve of Hunting was fourth.
Won by 6 lengths, many lengths
between second and third.
Time: 1:34.3.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$12.80.
Places: \$6.50, \$11.40, \$3.90.

Also ran: Bressay, 152 lbs. (T. W.
Chattey); Eve of Hunting, 159 (M.
F. L. Haymes); Jack O'Lantern, 148
(J. Barrow); Portrush, 145 (S. H.
Lee); Salvage Master, 145 (Woo
Hong Ping); Sunlight View, 152
(Chui Ki Fan); Sylvandale, 163 (G.
W. Cooper); The Tigress, 135 (C. C.
Chan); Valorous, 145 (Hoo Pak
Ming); Wilber, 146 (R. C. K. Chui).
13 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Bressay	84	87
Eve of Hunting	315	224
Eve of Peace	1,555	1,134
Jack O'Lantern	77	83
Lovely Star	291	261
Portrush	337	286
Royal Wedding Eve	717	434
Salvage Master	71	41
Sunlight View	160	138
Sylvandale	266	211
The Tigress	34	32
Valorous	257	238
Wilber	42	49
Total	4,166	3,216

12.—Wakool Handicap, "B" Class
(1 Mile)

Mr. Kia Ora's Many Thanks, 159
lbs. (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 1
Mr. Tinson's Vixen Tor, 147 lbs.
(Mr. F. Noodt) 2
Mr. T.L.'s Pumpnickel, 153
lbs. (Mr. B. L. Tao) 3

Won by many lengths, 4 lengths
between second and third.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$28.70.
Places: \$11.60, \$8.70, \$23.90.

Also ran: Ajax, 140 lbs. (C. L.
Gregory); A Roaring Time, 154 (S.
L. Sung); Connieber, 156 (L. B.
Chao); Criffel, 159 (D. Black);
Derby Day, 135 (Hoo Pak Ming);
Devonlan, 149 (G. Trevorton); Fair
Chance, 152 (P. Y. T. Wei); Flying
Dutchman, 135 (S. L. Yuen);
Franklin, 140 (F. A. Sequeira); In-
come Tax, 139 (H. S. Chang);
Melody Star, 149 (D. H. S. Craven);
Rivulet, 144 (K. I. Ip); Springhurst,
151 (W. G. Poy).
16 Starters.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Ajax	13	17
A Roaring Time	8	7
Connieber	394	238
Criffel	292	157
Derby Day	10	9
Devonlan	53	32
Fair Chance	1,025	732
Flying Dutchman	29	42
Franklin	8	8
Income Tax	115	84
Many Thanks	731	387

	Win.	Place.
Melody Star	54	49
Pumpnickel	283	138
Rivulet	5	10
Springhurst	783	578
Vixen Tor	953	711
Total	4,758	3,189

CASH SWEEPS

RACE 1

No.	Win.	Place.
1369	\$1,547.70	
2620	442.20	
1551	221.10	

Tickets Nos. 3342, 3410, 2821, 2217,
3486, 3944, 82, 3109, 2184, 3821, 3930,
3895, 1458, 90 get \$50 each.

RACE 2

No.	Win.	Place.
2283	\$2,032.10	
2899	580.60	
1080	280.30	

Tickets Nos. 3605, 2716, 3463 get
\$50 each.

RACE 3

No.	Win.	Place.
2853	\$2,061.50	
4181	589.00	
343	294.50	

Tickets Nos. 3560, 522, 1325, 1030,
4302 get \$50 each.

RACE 4

No.	Win.	Place.
3692	\$2,230.90	
3706	637.40	
774	318.70	

Tickets Nos. 4483, 1463, 3779 get
\$50 each.

RACE 5

No.	Win.	Place.
1704	\$1,215.00*	
3281	1,215.00*	
4723	270.00	

Tickets Nos. 1434, 2248, 972, 140,
3187, 611, 1099, 2458, 3669, 1162,
3807, 1751, 4164, 1404, 3599, 3274,
4745 get \$50 each.
*Dead heat.

RACE 6

No.	Win.	Place.
5184	\$2,643.20	
5193	755.20	
973	377.60	

Tickets Nos. 3731, 2328, 4927, 4837
get \$50 each.

RACE 7

No.	Win.	Place.
2791	\$2,751.70	
331	788.20	
3028	393.10	

Tickets Nos. 60, 1086, 733, 794,
1469, 3314, 5819, 1661 get \$50 each.

RACE 8

No.	Win.	Place.
3936	\$2,716.70	
5319	778.20	
1229	388.10	

Tickets Nos. 4693, 3446, 5568, 712,
5415, 2518, 3206, 1207, 1625 get \$50
each.

RACE 9

No.	Win.	Place.
2771	\$2,698.40	
3575	770.49	
852	385.20	

Tickets Nos. 3065, 4090, 4924, 3578,
1217, 5708, 389, 3307, 5314, 1843, 4645
get \$50 each.

RACE 10

No.	Win.	Place.
5923	\$2,677.15	
1888	764.90	
4566	382.45	

Tickets Nos. 2151, 3345, 3118, 3585,
2065, 5884, 5994, 4943 get \$50 each.

I SAIL IN A CONVOY

BY FREDERICK SALFELD,

Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent.

This article should be read before a hot fire, after a night's sound-sleep and a good breakfast. It will be easier then to feel the gratitude due to the men with whom I have just finished a voyage in a convoy from Southern Scotland—the men who every day run risks of fog and gale and four kinds of mechanised death, so that England shall not lack food, fuel and all her other means of life.

We made port that morning an hour ahead of schedule. When I said goodbye to the commodore in charge of the convoy he was going to a hotel for his first sleep since four days ago.

I travelled with the commodore. I met him on the pier at 6.30 one morning. It was intensely dark and freezing. His torch gleamed on the frost, greasing the pier's timbers, as we stepped down into the boat, that took us out to the anchorage. We were under way at dawn.

"Better get your tin hat. You'll probably need it," the commodore said. A veteran officer of the Cunard Line—he was in the Queen Mary before the R.N.R. summoned him—he was in hopes of a quiet life in the country. Instead he has to endure week after week the physical and nervous strain of taking convoys north and south through attack by submarines, mines, E-boats and dive bombers. Sometimes he is on the bridge almost continuously, for three days. He is late for meals and he eats them in 10 minutes. This has been his life for over a year.

A pilot took us out to sea. In single file behind us the convoy rode through the mist. Visibility was never more than two miles the whole way, and at dusk our only guides were the pinprick flashes from mark buoys.

READY FOR EMERGENCIES
There are no shore lights or radio beacons these days to help ships along a trick coast with strong tides; but the convoy kept its stations throughout. For some time the pilot took us on a course over which German planes might appear at any minute. We were lucky; the only strange visitor was a barn owl blown out to sea. Once I saw what looked like the top of a periscope. It was the mast of a sunken ship. A few minutes afterwards a shark's fin turned out to be the torn plate of another wreck. A little later we passed a victim of an enemy mine, its derricks still showing above the tide.

When we dropped the pilot he shook hands solemnly, for he did not know if he would ever see us again. And as his boat bobbed away astern the commodore's vigil began.

He put on the woollen cap he had worn in the last war, and had never washed it because he did not expect to use it any more.

He signalled the ships to take up their positions, and in this fashion we steamed steadily, unattacked, through mist and rain, with our guardian warships. Lifeboats were swung out ready to be lowered, and the warships floated their protective kite-barrage. Made of linen and bamboo, these kites appear an inadequate defence against the dive-bomber, but the Germans fear the wire, which cannot be seen against the dull clouds of the North Sea.

Aft, the naval gunner attended to his gun. Soldiers, with Balaclava helmets, waited beside their anti-aircraft guns. I stood on the concrete-walled bridge beside the commodore until my feet and hands were numb and my back ached with hours of standing. His watch never relaxed, nor that of the captain, a Liverpool man, who had had an earlier command, torpedoed, and, like the masters of the other ships, is never out of his clothes and never sleeps in more than two catnaps.

Together they started into the gloom. Night came down, and the young moon sank into the sea. Suddenly the captain pointed ahead. "What is that light on the pier, bow?" he said. "It's too high for a buoy." We waited for a few long seconds. The light shone again.

"It's only a star breaking through relief," said the commodore, with relief. The enemy being absent, I talked to some of the crew. They were "men of little showing," but scarcely one lacked some story of narrow escape.

Even the junior wireless operator, a newly-married boy of 18, who had exchanged a \$17 a month job in an American ship for the \$15 a month hazards of home waters, had been bombed on a previous voyage. He was recalled to the ship the day after his wedding.

The chief operator's last ship was blown up and sank in two minutes, dragging him down with it. He still likes the sea. One seaman has been torpedoed or shipwrecked 12 times. He has no wish to stay ashore.

AMBER CURES DEAFNESS!

Amber and cornelian are now greatly in vogue for jewellery worn in the daytime—a romantic revival of a century-old fashion. Of the two, amber is first favourite. Particularly people born in July and August should wear amber as their lucky beads.

Amber—that beautiful substance women wear in the shape of beads and clasps and ear-rings and also for the mouth-piece of cigarette holders. What is it?

Nothing but the fossilised gum of the prehistoric pine tree. You will have seen how the pine exudes its resin through the bark. There were pines—no one knows what species exactly—at an early period in the history of the world, anyhow—which had a little peculiarity. Insects would find themselves caught in their little blisters of gum; the sticky fluid engulfed them as they alighted upon it. Perhaps the resin was sweet and enticing—certainly it had sticky qualities, otherwise there would not be a fly in the amber. Legend says that amber is a concretion of birds' tears—but science knows better!

PINE GUM
Eventually, by the action of the sea and earth, that pine gum or resin was converted into the substance with which every smoker is familiar. The gum clung to the fly, and preserved the insect through the ages, while it was being evolved into amber.

The use of amber is old—very old. It is mentioned in the Bible: "And I looked, and behold a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud and a fire unfolding itself and a brightness was about it and out of the midst thereof as a colour of amber out of the midst of the fire."

In old Grecian times, amber, ground up and mixed with honey and rose oil, was used as a cure

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Quiet conditions again prevailed in the market, the rates remaining unaltered, with the exception of 4% Government Loans which advanced to 97.

BUYERS
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1934), 94.50 Cts.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1940), 94.25 Cts.

Bank of East Asia, 76.
Union Ins., \$412.50.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$170.
Providents, \$5.75.
Lands 4% Debentures, \$37.50.

SELLERS
Trams, \$17.80.
Electrics (O), \$39.75.

SALEN
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan, 97 Cts.
Trams, \$17.50.
Lights (O), \$35.15.
Dairy Farms, \$18.75.

Indian Exports Hard Hit By The War

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18 (Reuter).—The Commerce Member representing the Viceroy told the Indian Legislature yesterday that even though Indian exports to markets still open to India showed an increase prior to the outbreak of war, these were insufficient to compensate for the lost markets. Therefore the Viceroy was now actively considering the question of sending trade missions to such countries whose markets are still open to India with whom trade relations can be improved.

for deafness and loss of eyesight. Folk with delicate throats can be found wearing amber beads even today, while in 1660 or thereabouts they were recommended to be "bound to the neck behind, to cure defluxions of the eyes and hung about the neck to keep defillations from the throat."

Finance and Commerce

SOVIET-JAPANESE TRADE PARLEY

MOSCOW, Feb. 18 (Reuter).—The Soviet-Japanese trade negotiations which have been suspended since April were formally resumed yesterday at the Commissariat for Foreign Trade.

The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Tatekawa, and Mr. Miyakawa, Counsellor of the Embassy, conferred with the Foreign Trade Commissar, M. Mikoyan, and his deputy, M. Kaganovitch, for one and a half hours.

It will be recalled that the talks last year dragged on fruitlessly for three months.

FEDERAL RESERVE RETURNS

New York, Feb. 17 (Reuter).
Jan. 22 Feb. 11
(000's omitted)
Total loans \$ 9,287,000 9,377,000
Investments 16,397,000 16,871,000

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1941.

SALES
China Lights Rights 150 \$ 0.65
Dairy Farms 50 18.75
H.K. Tramways 100 17.60
200 17.50

500
The total value is \$6,295.00.

EASTERN GROUP SUPPLY COUNCIL

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18 (Reuter).—Mr. Archibald Carter has assumed charge as Chairman of the Eastern Group Supply Council.

Pending the arrival of representatives from Australia, South Africa and New Zealand, Mr. John Whyatt, Secretary of the Council, has commenced the spade-work.

NAT. FOOD CONFAB IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Feb. 18 (Central).—The National Food Conference summoned by the National Food Administration is scheduled to be held in Chungking February 20-26. Delegates from most of the provinces have arrived and proposals are being subjected to a preliminary study by committees.

SPECULATORS GO BANKRUPT

Many speculators of moderate means in Shanghai are reported to have gone bankrupt as a result of the sharp fall of stocks due to the Far Eastern tension.

Losses incurred by the fall on February 14, alone are roughly estimated at between \$25,000,000 and \$35,000,000.—(Central News).

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 17 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168/-

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Normal	TUESDAY 18 FEB.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Normal
Banks								
...	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	C.D. \$1360
...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	277
...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	270
...	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	270
...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	233
...	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	...	211
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	...
...	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	...	...
Insurance								
...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	\$215
...	Union Insurance	...	...	...	\$412 1/2
...	Underwriters	...	...	...	80 ct.
...	H.K. Firms	...	...	...	\$170
Shipping								
...	Steamships	...	...	...	\$125
...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	\$8 1/2
...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	\$100
...	Indo-China (Def.)	...	...	...	\$20
...	Ships	...	...	...	\$13
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	\$7
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	\$98
...	Providents	...	...	...	\$5.85
...	H.K. Docks (Old)	...	...	...	\$17.80
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...	\$17
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	\$28
...	Mining	...	...	...	...
...	Kailans	...	...	...	18/0
...	Ranbe	...	...	...	\$8
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels and Buildings								
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...	\$3.00
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	...
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	\$3.70
...	Humphreys	...	...	...	\$7.10
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	Ewo (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	S'hai Cottons (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Zong Sing (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Tramways	...	...	...	\$17.80
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	\$7.40
...	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	...	\$32
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	\$57 1/2
...	Yantai Ferries	...	...	...	\$24 1/2
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	\$6.15
...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...	\$17 1/2
...	H.K. Electric (Old)	...	...	...	\$1.85
...	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	...	\$382
...	Macro Electric (Old)	...	...	...	...
...	Macro Electric (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Bandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	\$25 1/2
...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...	\$10 1/2
...	S'pore Tractions (Ord.)	...	...	...	...
Industrials								
...	Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Cald, Macg. (Pref.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Canton Ice	...	...	...	75 cts.
...	Cements	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	...	...
...	4% Loan	...	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% (1934)	...	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% (1940)	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous								
...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	\$19.20
...	Entertainments	...	...	...	\$7.10
...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	\$1.65
...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawford	...	...	...	\$7 1/2
...	Sincere Tobacco	...	...	...	\$2 1/2
...	Watsons	...	...	...	\$10.95
...	Ch. G. 5% 1925 G.B.Ds	...	...	...	35%
...	H.K. Wing On	...	...	...	\$30
...	S'hai Wing On	...	...	...	\$14
...	Vibro Piling	...	...	...	\$8
...	Maramans Inv. (Lon.)	...	...	...	...
...	Maramans Inv. (H.K.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wm. Powells	...	...	...	\$1.90
...	China Lights (Rights)	...	...	...	...
...	4 Sale to Shanghai	...	...	...	...

CURE FOR BALDNESS

Several years of research by Dr. K. Reinhardt, who is resident in Shanghai, resulted in her discovery, in 1937, of a successful treatment for baldness and grey hair, which has been patented in America recently. American doctors were working on it for a long time, discovering the value of Vitamin B in rejuvenation, but it was Dr. Reinhardt who brought this research to a successful conclusion in the treatment of human beings.

In an interview the doctor described her treatment and discovery. She originally came across it by accident when treating a lady for an intestinal disease. The treatment included injections of a certain substance, and the effect was a general rejuvenation, including the restoration of natural colour to grey hair. The doctor continued her experiments, finally arriving at a perfect cure. Several German medicine manufacturers, including Bayer, wished to obtain patents on the drug, but the war intervened.

Dr. Reinhardt then went to America, where the Rockefeller Institute tested her cure, and approved of her taking out patents on it. The tests were performed on a boy of 12, who had had neither hair nor eyebrows for six years. After a number of injections the eyebrows grew normally, while hair returned on the head. She finally took out patents in America, and returned to Shanghai to continue her practice here. Many Shanghaiers heard of her treatment and came for



EVERYBODY'S
Favourite . . .

"BLACK & WHITE"

examination her degree of success being 100 per cent.

SERIES OF INJECTIONS

The doctor described her treatment as consisting of a series of 20 injections, half being intravenous, and half intramuscular. Her cure for baldness is permanent, hair beginning to grow after the third injection. In the case of the cure for grey hair, however, it is necessary for the patient to have a series of injections every year. A thorough examination of the patient is required before the treatment can be given, however, so that only qualified doctors can perform the cure.

Dr. Reinhardt first got on the track of her cure when she discovered that the reason for there being so few grey-haired Chinese was that they ate rice, which contains a very high percentage of Vitamin B. She followed this course of inquiry in other fields, finally arriving at the solution through the successful treatment of an elderly lady, as mentioned above.

The treatment, besides restoring hair, has a general rejuvenating effect. The course of the cure for baldness is based on glandular improvement, that for grey hair being dependent on the nervous system.

PRE-PAID ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following classes of advertisements are charged at the price given below:—

SITUATIONS VACANT. HOUSES AND APARTMENTS WANTED. HOUSES AND APARTMENTS TO BE LET. MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.

Announcements not exceeding 25 Words are inserted under this heading at a Pre-paid Rate of \$1.50 for THREE INSERTIONS. If Charges collected, \$2.00.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE:—Vulcan 2 ton Lorry, 1930 Model V.W.D. 24.8 Horse Power (R.A.C.) fitted with an open body. Good running order, with spare parts.

Also a similar lorry but without complete engine or body. On view at Asiatic Petroleum Co's Installation, North Point. Write submitting offers to The Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.) Ltd., Engineering Department, Shell House.

WANTED TO BUY

WE PAY HIGH PRICES for all gold and silver articles, gold bars, diamonds and jewels. Apply China Gold Refining Co. Pedder Building, 2nd floor, Room 6.

WE OFFER HIGH PRICES for any amount of gold articles, diamonds, silver, jewels, etc. No holidays. Apply China Building, 7th floor, Tel. 30727. Eurasia Gold Refining Co.

WE PAY HIGH PRICES for all gold and silver articles. Jade diamonds, jewels, watches, fountain pens. Apply Far East Diamond and Gold Refining Co. Room 621, China Building, 6th floor.

WANTED KNOWN

Why not learn all the Fancy latest Stitches for your dresses and Sweaters. JOIN THE KNITTING CLASS AT \$3.00 per month (7 vice a week lesson). Please apply to Box No. 654 c/o H.K.D.P.

ORDERS TAKEN for hand-made sweaters, Ladies' jumpers, Babies' outfits, etc., at \$5.00 each for workmanship. Wool and mode desired, to be supplied by customer. Send particulars of address, etc., to Box 502, H.K.D.P.

Experienced Book-keeper Wants Students to form a class. Guarantee students to keep a whole set of books after completion of a course of 6 months. For Term and Particulars. Please Apply to:—Box No. 483 c/o H.K.D.P.

HOTELS

FOR JADED APPETITES!

REAL RUSSIAN FOOD

Tiffin \$1.20 • Dinner \$1.50

METROPOLE HOTEL

TEA DANCE

DAILY

EXCEPT MONDAYS

5 to 7.30 P.M.

PACKING CONTRACTOR

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 18, 1941.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/4 1/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/4 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 420	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 102 1/2	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/2	
and demand 1/2 1/2	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days sight 24 1/4	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 45 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 104 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 148 1/4	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/4	

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Feb. 18.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/4 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being steady with no "business done." American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET

Quiet for Sterling, U.S. Dollars were firmer.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 Feb. April, buyers at 1/3-1/32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 24 1/16. Subsequently sellers were offering 24 1/2 without attracting any buyers. The market closed with sellers at 24 9/16 for Cash and probable buyers at 24 1/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 427. The highest rate touched was 429 1/2. Business was arranged at various rates and at the close there were sellers at 427 1/2 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 3 15/32. The market was steady and last advice indicated sellers at 3 1/2 for Spot, U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 52 1/32 for Spot. The market was firm throughout the morning. Last advice received indicated sellers at 53 1/4 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Feb. 18 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	9/3-2/8	5-1/2
New York	22-3/8	22-3/8
Japan	18-3/4	18-3/4
India	22-3/8	22-3/8
Paris	nominal	nominal
Hongkong	22-3/8	22-3/8

Sterling

Opening 9/3-2/8

Spot 9/3-15/32

Feb. 9/3-15/32

Mar. 9/3-29/64

U.S. Dollars

Spot \$5-21/32

Feb. 5-21/32

Mar. 5-5/8

Market: Quiet.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's

rate on London at 10 a.m. today

was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 23-1/4

per cent.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Feb. 17 (Reuters).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Feb. 17 (Reuters).

Govt. 3% Rupee, 95-02-0.

LONDON METALS

EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 17 (Reuters).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price, £286-1/4.

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price, £284-3/8.

Market strong.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTERS SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Feb. 17, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.24	10.17	10.18	10.19	.01 up
New York Rubber, March	20.55	20.50	20.25	20.55	.03 up
Chicago Wheat, May	79 1/2	78	79	78	1 off
Chicago Corn, May	60 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2	59 1/2	1 off
New York Hides, March	12.53	12.55	12.72	12.55	.17 off

NEW YORK COTTON

Close Opening Closing Change

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	10.18/18	10.17/17	10.19/19	10.19	.01 up
May	10.14/15	10.13/13	10.17/17	10.17	.03 up
July	10.00/01	9.98/98	10.02/02	10.02	.02 up
October	9.54 N	9.51/50	9.55/55	9.55	.01 up
December	9.52/52	9.49/50	9.52/53	9.52	unch.
January	9.50 N	9.49/49	9.53/53	9.53	.03 up
Spot	10.69		10.70	10.70	.01 up

Total sales Saturday:—80,000 bales.

The first notice day for March Cotton is 25/2/41 and last day is 14/3/41.

NEW YORK RUBBER

March 20.25/25 20.35b 20.55/55 .30 up

May 20.11b 20.25b 20.39b/40a .28 up

July (New contract) 19.70/70 19.95b/20.05a 19.95/95 .25 up

September 19.45n 19.75/75 19.72b/75a .27 up

Total sales:—170 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May 79 1/2/79 79 1/2/79 78 7/8 1 off

July 73 1/2/73 73 1/2/73 73 1/2 1 off

September 74 1/4 74 1/4 73 1/2 1 off

Saturday's sales:—4,808,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May 60 1/2/60 60 1/2/60 59 1/2 1 off

July 60 1/2/60 60 1/2/60 59 1/2 1 off

September 59 1/2/59 59 1/2/59 58 1/2 1 off

NEW YORK HIDES

March 12.72/72 12.66b/77a 12.55/55 .17 off

June 12.60/63 12.55b/70a 12.47b/49a .13 off

Total sales for the day:—35 contracts.

NEW YORK COCOA

March 5.54 N 5.55/63 5.62 N .08 up

May 5.63 N 5.70/70 5.69/69 .06 up

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

March 2.03b/04a 2.05b/06a .02 up

May 2.08b/09a 2.10b/11a .02 up

Volume of business done:—246 lots

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

March 6.66b/66a 6.67/67 6.94b/70a .03 up

May 7.05b/70a 7.11/71 7.30b/73a .03 up

Volume of business done:—unreceived.

The first notice day for March is 17/2 and last day is 28/2.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

March 11.49b/54a 11.45b/55a 11.52b/55a .03 up

July 11.30b/40a 11.30b/40a 11.40b/47a .10 up

N.Y. Official Silver unquoted

N.Y.-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/4

4.03-1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, Feb. 17.

The following quotations are the

middle prices at the close of the

market in London. All quotations

are subject to confirmation and no

responsibility is assumed for errors

in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, 103-7/16

after 1952)

Defence Loan, 3% 101 1/2

Jantion-K'loon Rly. 5% 13

Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 44

1898 (Brit. Issue)

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 42 to 47

1925/47

Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French 45

Loan, 1908

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 26

1912

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 34

1913 (Ldn. Is.)

Chinese 8 1/2% Ster. Notes 10

1925 (Vickers)

Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% 47

Loan

Jontan Rly. 5% 18

Sukwang Rly. 5%, 1911

(L.P. N.Y. Issue)

Sukwang Rly. 5%, 1911 13

(German Issue)

Lung Tsing & V. Hai 14

Rly. 5% 1913

S'hai-N'King Rly. 5% 16

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%

(Brit. Stpd.)

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% 15

(Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)

Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924 20 1/2-24

Jer. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 8

Chartered Bank 7 1/2

H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.) 70

H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.) 77

Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) 18/-

Chosen Corporation 4/-

Mercantile Bank of India, 25, "G" 11-1/8

Pekin Syndicate 1/8

S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. 15/-

S'hai Waterworks "A" 13-1/2

Union Insurance 20

Gula Kalumpung Rubber 15 1/2

Lon. Mid. & Scot. Rly. 14 1/2

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTERS SERVICE)

FEBRUARY 18, 1941.

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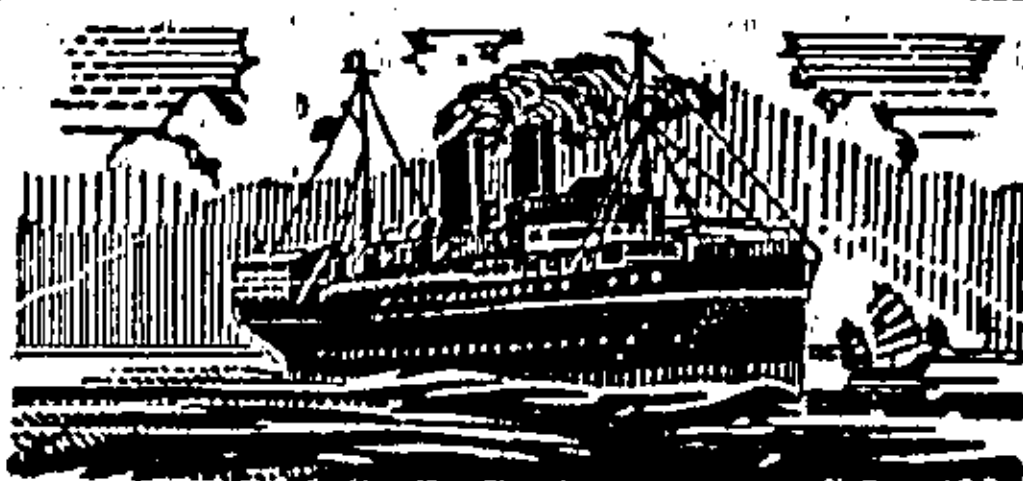
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**Change Necessitated
By Strong Headwinds**

Inaugurating a new trans-Atlantic air route via Africa, the Dixie Clipper, with Wendell Wilkie aboard, recently returned to New York from a scheduled west-bound Atlantic flight.

This new air routing is to continue through the winter months in order to avoid the constant headwinds which beat upon each Europe - to - America westbound flight over the North Pacific. To overcome this, westbound Clippers will, for the remainder of the winter months, be routed home-world via Africa.

The Clippers on this new routing leave Lisbon in the afternoon, flying throughout the night down the west coast of Africa, past Morocco, between the Canary Islands and Spanish Sahara, past Gambia into Balamia, Portuguese Africa—a flight of 1,917 miles.

Refueled, the Clippers push westward to Port of Spain, Trinidad, on the longest non-stop operation ever attempted by commercial aviation—3,100 miles. This flight is 700 miles longer than the flight between San Francisco and Honolulu on the trans-Pacific service.

In spite of the lengthy trip, prevailing easterly trades push the Clippers along with loads twice as large as could be accommodated on the North Atlantic routing. From Port of Spain the flight again turns northward another 1,600 miles to Bermuda and then on to New York.

Trans-Atlantic route mileage is now 3,200 miles eastbound between New York and Lisbon and 7,200 miles on the return trip via Africa.

PASSENGERS**DEPARTURES FROM
THE COLONY**

The following passengers left Hongkong by the Pres. Coolidge on Saturday:-

Mr. Parsram Alidas, Mr. Louis Bartholomew, Miss B. M. de Sousa, Miss E. Dumayuga, Mr. H. G. McNeary, Mr. Max Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Preston, Mr. Seltaro Sakae, Mr. Dalip Singh, Mr. Gaston Willoquet, Mr. Antonio Wilson.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 19 to 25 Feb. 1941.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Time	Days of Week	Time
Wed. 19	03 25	Thur. 20	01 07
Thur. 20	15 23	Fri. 21	17 47
Fri. 21	01 07	Sat. 22	08 06
Sat. 22	16 34	Sun. 23	08 55
Sun. 23	01 07	Mon. 24	19 48
Mon. 24	17 47	Tues. 25	09 57
Tues. 25	08 06		

**Estimates Slashed Down
To \$52,483,294**

The record budget for \$62,389,716, inclusive of \$12,300,274 specially classed as war expenditure, introduced by the Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters) at the Legislative Council meeting on Jan. 16 has been considerably cut by the Select Committee appointed to examine the estimates.

At the meeting of the Council tomorrow, at 9.30 a.m., the Financial Secretary will move the first reading of a Bill to apply \$52,483,294 to the public service of the financial year beginning on April 1, 1941, and ending on March 31, 1942, and also to apply an additional sum not exceeding \$332,000 to the Waterworks Renewals and Improvements Fund for the service of that Fund in the said financial year.

The Ordinance may be cited as the Appropriation for 1941-1942 Ordinance, 1941, and the specified expenditure is as follows:- His Excellency the Governor, \$182,747; Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislature 308,275; Audit Department 111,135; Botanical and Forestry 184,801; Agriculture 119,288; Charitable Services 619,648; Volunteer Defence Corps 150,000; Naval Volunteer Force 40,000; Air Raid Precautions 238,599; District Office, North 71,824; District Office, South 51,523; Education Department 2,806,924; Fire Brigade 774,543; Harbour Department 1,565,171; Air Services 140,210; Imports and Exports Office 1,885,378; Supreme Court 217,863; Magistracy, Hongkong 77,247; Magistracy, Kowloon 64,420; Kowloon-Canton Railway 917,341; Legal Departments 263,188; Medical

Department 4,726,589; Miscellaneous Services 2,845,000; Pensions 2,845,000; Police Force 4,205,845; Post Office 912,203; Wireless 488,216; Broadcasting 97,955; Prisons Department 1,096,322; Public Works Department 1,973,654; Waterworks 300,060; Public Works (Recurrent) 1,859,500; Waterworks (Recurrent) 1,039,115; Royal Observatory 1,437,425; Sanitary Department 1,437,425; Secretariat for Chinese Affairs 138,509; Labour Office 62,171; Stores Department 1,933,028; Treasury, etc. 333,801; Public Works (Extraordinary) 9,829,594; Fisheries Research Station 190,054; War Expenditure 12,300,274; Immigration Department 203,225; Total \$52,483,294.

WATERWORKS EXPENDITURE

Pokfulam District Supply \$7,000; Reconstruction of waterworks depot and replacement of plant 48,000; Replacement of plant, waterworks workshop, Hongkong 45,000; Bowen Road conduit reconstruction 200,000; Remove and re-erect Bowen Road rapid gravity filters at Eastern 65,000; Reconstruction of Bowen Road service reservoir 215,000; Reconstruction of Albany service reservoir 145,000; Overseers' quarters at Eastern 45,000; Reconstruction of Kowloon Tong service reservoir 10,000; Replacement of meters 45,000; Total \$832,000.

MORE FOR CHARITY

Charitable services have received an additional \$10,000 as a result of the review by the Select Committee and an additional \$100,000 appears under the Head of Miscellaneous Service.

The Harbour Department has suffered a cut of \$600,000, the Medical Department just over \$100,000, and Public Works Extraordinary \$1,150,000.

The Financial Secretary will also move the following resolution:- That this Council approves the carrying out of the works set out in the Schedule attached at an estimated cost of \$4,416,407.84 and of the expenditure in the financial years 1940-41 and 1941-42 of the sums set out in columns 3 and 4 of the Schedule, the cost to be met from a future loan and meanwhile to be charged as advances from the surplus balances of the Colony pending the raising of a loan.

MEDICAL ORD.

At tomorrow's meeting of the Legislative Council the Attorney-General will move the first reading of a Bill to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1935, and a Bill to amend the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens Ordinance, 1940.

The Attorney-General will also move the second and third readings of a Bill to amend the Places of Public Entertainment Regulation Ordinance, 1919, and a Bill to amend the Entertainments Tax Ordinance, 1930.

**COLONY HEALTH
BULLETIN**

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight on Feb. 15:- Cholera, six cases (five deaths); Small-Pox, one death; Diphtheria, 10 cases (eight deaths); Enteric Fever, 13 cases (one death); Measles, 15 cases (four deaths); Chicken-Pox, two cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, seven cases (two deaths); Dysentery, 44 cases (9 deaths); Puerperal Fever, one case; Tuberculosis, 207 cases (128 deaths and one imported case).

DAILY RETURNS

Returns for the 24 hours ended at midnight on Feb. 17 are as follows:- Diphtheria, one case; Measles, four cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Dysentery, five cases; Tuberculosis, 44 cases.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m. Feb. 18.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.04 ins.
Temperature, 63 F.
Humidity, 93 per cent.
Wind Direction, E/N
Wind Force (Beaufort), 6
Temperature: maximum yesterday, 67 F.
Temperature: minimum last night, 63 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 0.02 ins.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 6.99 ins.
Against an average of 2.29 ins.
Sunset tonight, 8.21 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6.53 a.m.
4 p.m. Feb. 18.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.96 ins.
Temperature, 62 F.
Humidity, 97 per cent.
Wind Direction, WNW.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Maximum temperature, 65 F.
Minimum temperature, 52 F.
Rainfall, 0.36 ins.

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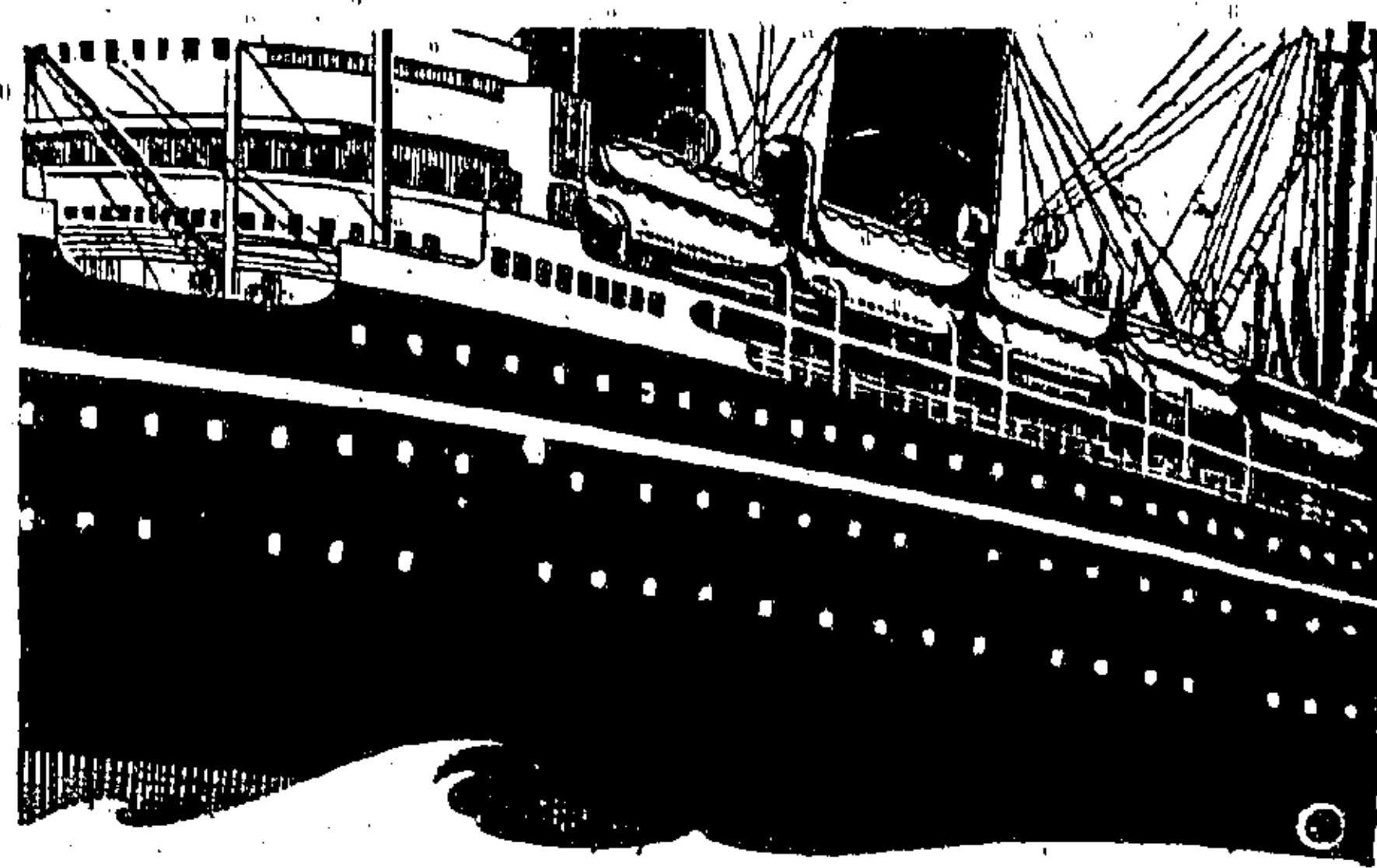
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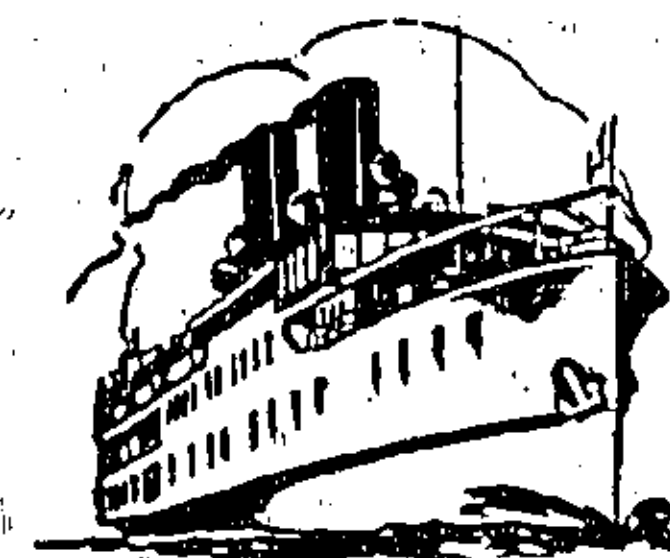
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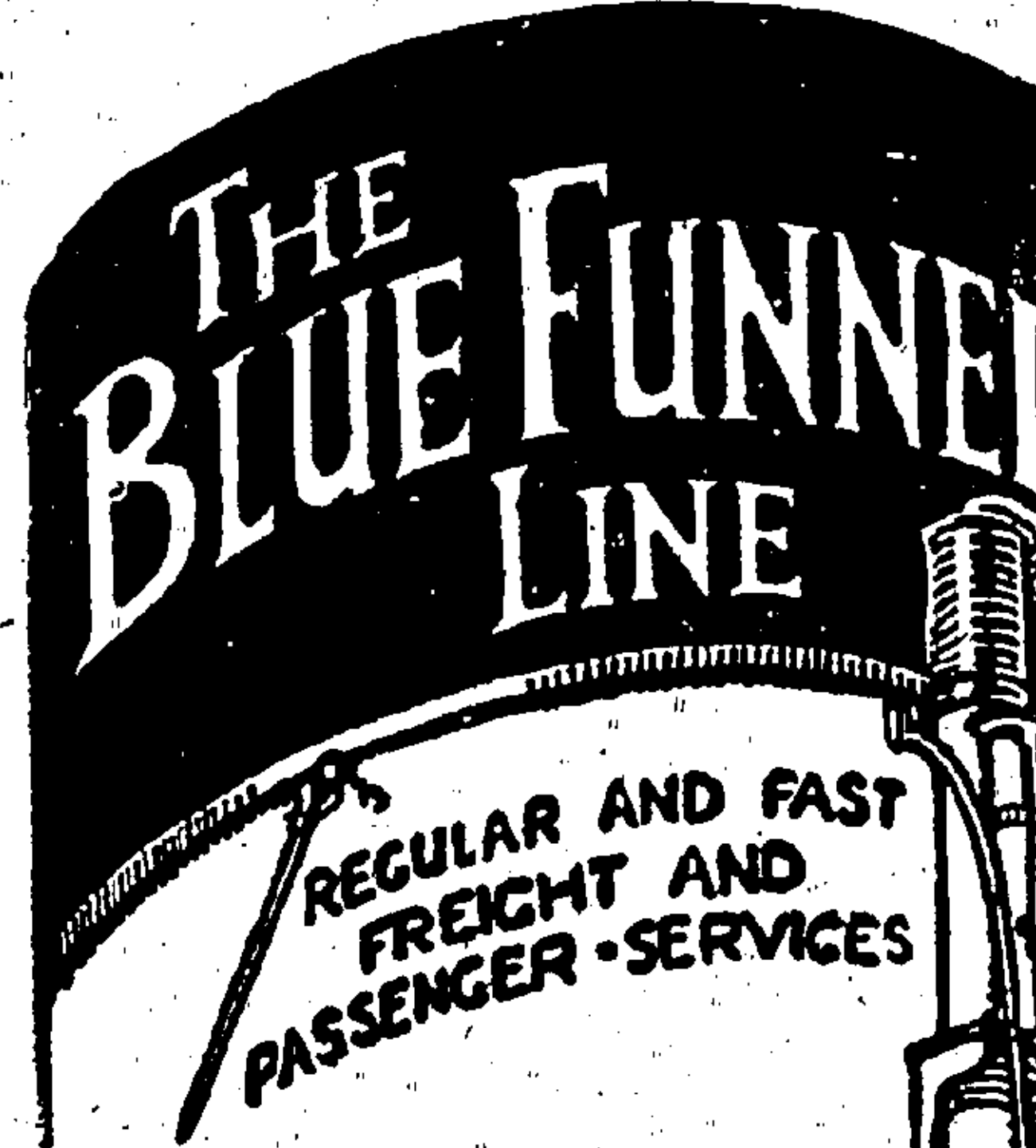
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IMMIGRATION ADVICE

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whose legal status as an Immigration agency is somewhat doubtful. Under Section 12, sub-section 2, the Immigration Officer himself is not permitted to issue entry permits, frontier passes, and Certificates of residence, to all persons specified in ss 2 (a) to (k), without the authority of the Governor in Council, or the Court. Yet the power to issue "temporary passes" to all those "who are in a hurry to leave the Colony" has been granted to an Agency appointed, not by the Governor in Council, but by the Immigration Officer. What guarantee is there that the "persons who are in a hurry to leave the Colony" are not members of a criminal gang wanted by the Police? At the best of times, to issue permits without making any inquiries as to the bona fides of the applicants' claims or the standing of the guarantors might result in defeating the objects of the Bill—namely, to keep out undesirable characters.

PAID DEPOSIT

Why should those who have paid their deposit, on demand, to the boarding officers of the Immigration Office be asked to seek the assistance of the General Agency in order to have their deposit returned more quickly? After all, the deposit receipt states that a passenger must apply for his or her permit within 10 days or otherwise run the risk of having the deposit forfeited.

So long as he or she complies with this condition, the deposit should be returned immediately the pass, or certificate, is issued.

It would be interesting to note the public reaction to any ruling by a bank that "deposits paid into this Bank would be more expeditiously returned if applied for through a recognised money-changer's establishment."

And yet, it has been claimed that no special powers have been delegated to the General Agency!

Fanling Hunt & Race Club

PROGRAMME FOR MARCH MEETING

THE FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB will hold its March Meeting at Kwantung on March 16, starting at 2.45 p.m. The following is the programme.

Race 1. 2.54 p.m. "The Dublin Handicap" (Second Section)

A flat of 6 furlongs for China ponies classified at date of entry as "E" class. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5. NOTE: One entry only will be made for "The Dublin Handicap" (Races 1 and 6). Entries will be divided into two sections at the discretion of the handicapper.

Race 2. "The Fanling Grand National and Pierce Grove Memorial Cup"

A handicap steeplechase of 12 miles for China ponies. Winner to hold for one year the Challenge Cup with replica presented and \$150 added; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$3.

Race 3. "The Krieger Cup" A flat race of 6 furlongs for Australian Subscriptor ponies of 1941. Winners of \$300 or more barred. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5.

Race 4. "The Hunters' Cup" A handicap flat race of 7 furlongs for China ponies classified at date of entry as "D" class. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5.

Race 5. "The Governor's Cup and Australian Grand National Steeplechase"

A handicap of 2 miles for Australian ponies. WINNER a Cup presented by H. E. The Governor, with \$150 added; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$3.

Race 6. "The Dublin Handicap" (First Section) (See Race 1).

Race 7. "The Shamrock Handicap"

A flat race of 7 furlongs for Australian ponies classified at date of entry as "D" class. Jockey allowance of 5 lb. WINNER \$250; 2nd \$125; 3rd \$100. Entry Fee \$5. Races 1, 3, 4, 6 & 7 are open to Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Owners entering for these races and Jockeys who are not Members of the Fanling Hunt & Race Club, will have the privileges of the Club for the day.

Above: Deposits will be returned quicker if applied for through the General Agency.

Right: Temporary Passes will be issued by the General Agency, says this Immigration Office notice.

Democratic Way Of Life

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those who do not believe in a Nazis and the Fascists. Thus, the Italian who has never accepted Fascism and who has resisted an assault on his belief of the democratic idea of life is our ally. Any German who thinks that Nazism is wrong and that the democratic life is right is an ally and not an enemy. We are not fighting against him, but for him.

COMMUNIST ATTITUDE Referring to what he described as the "mysterious shoulder-shrugging attitude" of the Communists towards these ideas of democracy, Mr. Priestley said that the Communists knew that this war was being fought on the democratic idea.

Mr. Priestley referred to Herr Hitler's conception of national and individual existence and declared that there was a clear indication of this in his fantastic autobiography "Mein Kampf" in which it was apparent that he regarded men and women as so many sheep and donkeys who have to be brought into submission under a few ruthless leaders.

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ENTRIES (with the exception of Race 3) close to the Secretaries, Messrs. Thomson & Company, Accountants, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Tuesday, March 4, 1941, at Noon. Entries for Race 3 close on Tuesday, March 11 at Noon.

Ponies entered for Races 1, 3, 4, 6 & 7 will be transported free by ferry and rail on Saturday, March 15, 1941, returned on Monday, March 17 1941 and kept at Kwantung without charge.

democratic way of life are against it. More and more, as the war goes on, thousands and then millions of people are crying out to be liberated "by democracy."

THE DEFEATIST

Mr. Priestley, in concluding, referred to the definition of the term "defeatist." He quoted an editorial which had appeared in the American paper Saturday Evening Post, in which the writer declared that the people of the United States were defeatists in permitting themselves to be involved in a war for which the country was unprepared and added that if England fell, the country stood to lose the weapons, planes and ships given to aid Britain.

Mr. Priestley said that as a man who had respect for the English language he could not let that statement pass unchallenged. The fact that the United States was helping Britain to remove from the world the very thing that threatened the idealists' or realists' conception of life was certainly not defeatist.

"The only defeatists here is the writer of the article himself," said Mr. Priestley. "His argument is that help should not be given to Britain because if Britain falls America would lose her planes, munitions and vessels. That is true, enough, but if that is not a defeatist attitude, I don't know what is."

"If we are to assume pessimism of that sort, I don't know where we will be and this particular attitude seems to be the very essence of defeatism."

TEA RECEPTION FOR U.S. OFFICIALS

CHUNGKING, Feb. 18 (Central)—Chinese government officials gave yesterday afternoon a tea reception in honour of Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, and Dr. Laughlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal representative to China, and Mr. Emile Despres, research official of the Economic Division of the U.S. Federal Reserve Board. Among the Chinese officials present were Madame Chiang Kai-shek and the different Ministers.

CHINA DEEPLY INTERESTED IN WILLKIE VISIT

Official circles in Chungking are deeply interested over the announcement that Mr. Wendell Willkie may shortly visit China, states a message from Saigon. The Chinese Government is stated to be always pleased to receive influential visitors from friendly countries.—(Special)

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Reg. 6.00 PM	
Ord. 6.30 PM	
SUNDAY	Sun. 23rd
Saigon	8.00 AM
MONDAY	Mon. 24th
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	K.P.O.
Reg. 11.00 AM	
Ord. 11.30 AM	
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	G.P.O.
Reg. 11.00 AM	
Ord. 11.30 AM	
Straits, Sandakan	12.30 PM
3.30 PM	
TUESDAY	Tue. 25th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Reg. 24th 5.00 PM	
Ord. 25th 8.30 AM	
7.00 PM	
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 26th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
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